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CONVERGING CAMPUS & COMMUNITY

Grocer begins work at new site

By Ben Koehn Staff Writer

As Northwest students return to Maryville for the new school year they pass both familiar sites—such as Applebee's and La Bonita's—and new sites, like a large dirt filled basin next to Hy-Vee where a new and improved Hy-Vee will take its place.

Since starting work on the site Aug. 8, the construction of a new 55,000-square foot Hy-Veë has progressed steadily with two-thirds of the new building to be hopefully opened to the public by sometime this spring, according to Project Superintendent Jeff Slycore.

Slycore oversees the project from his office in a white trailer marked "Hy-Vee Weitz" in the parking lot of the current Hy-Vee. He said that construction is moving right along.

He hopes that in the spring the first two-thirds of the store will be completed so that the old Hy-Vee can move in and start conducting business. The remaining one-third of the building, which includes the pharmacy and the new location for the liquor store, will be completed last.

Alex Glenn, D.J. Christie director of development, the development contractor for the project, says that the completion of the project is still at least 15 months away.

"It takes a long time because Hy-Vee has to remain open during construction," Glenn said.

Unrein also said D.J. Christie and Hy-Vee have been very good at communicating and keeping the city up to date on the progress of the project which, at it's current pace, could face completion by early 2007.

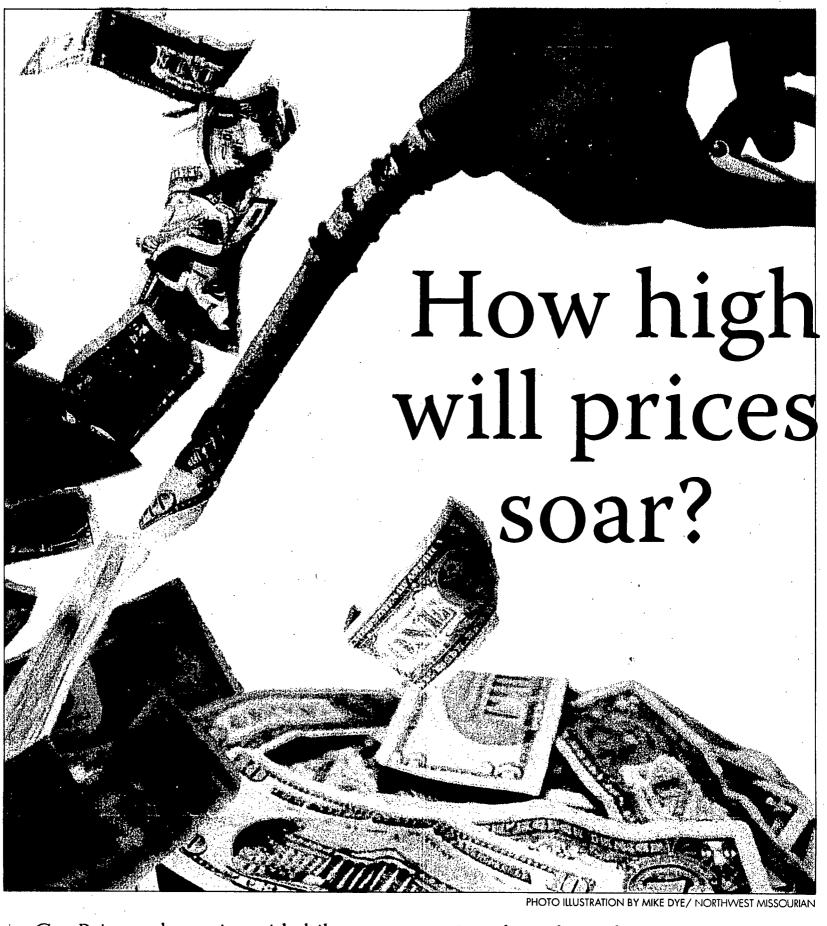
Male sought in assault case

A female student was assaulted 10 p.m., Aug. 30, on Northwest's campus in the area between the Union parking lot and B.D. Owens Library.

Onlookers described the assailant as a dark-skinned male, approximately 6 feet tall. He was wearing a black head covering, a white Sean Johnbrand T-shirt and black, baggy shorts

Campus Safety Director Clarence Green said an investigation is currently underway and urges anyone having information regarding the incident to contact him at 562-1254.

-Clery Release



Gas Prices take nationwide hike Wednesday; Oil \$69 a barrel

By Brad FossAP Business Writer

asoline prices leaped nationwide Wednesday as key refineries and pipelines remained crippled by Hurricane Katrina, crimping supplies and leading to caps on the amount of fuel delivered to retailers.

To boost supplies, the U.S. government said it would loan oil to refiners facing shortfalls and relax environmental restrictions on the type of gasoline sold during summer. Crude futures prices fell but remained close to \$69 a barrel.

Just how bad the situation becomes for motorists, who are facing pump prices in excess of \$3 a gallon in a growing number of markets, depends on how quickly electricity can be restored to Gulf Coast pipelines and refineries, analysts said. Flooding may have left some important refinery equipment submerged and

it will be days before a full damage assessment is completed, industry officials and analysts said.

Some rays of hope emerged Wednesday. The Colonial Pipeline Co. said it would restore partial service with help from diesel generators that will allow it to begin shipping gasoline,

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Cost of filling up

The national average price of regular gasoline is 41 percent higher than a year ago.

Gasoline price per gallon

Regular Diesel

Current \$2.62 \$2.66

Month ago \$2.28 52.42

Year ago \$1.86 \$1.90

SOURCE: AAA

Local residents, businesses start to feel pressure

By Dennis Sharkey Staff Writer

Thile many residents in the southern United States search for sanitary water and safe food, the rest of the country feels the devastation of Hurricane Katrina at the gas pumps.

Reports say 95 percent of oil production in the Gulf Coast region remain inoperable. The mass evacuation of New Orleans has left the region with fuel shortages. These shortages have a trickle down affect on the rest of the country's fuel supplies.

In addition to individual consumers, local businesses have been hit especially hard.

Businesses depending on fuel usage daily have had to pass the extra cost on to customers, or stand to lose money themselves. Pizza Hut has not yet raised the compensation it pays its drivers for delivery, but driver Cody Piveral said he has been told the company is considering increasing the fee soon. Piveral said he still can see the difference on the meter at the gas station.

"Yes, I've definitely noticed it," Piveral said. "It's \$35 now (to fill up) instead of \$20 like it used to be."

Some Maryville businesses, however, are keeping prices as low as they can, even if it means sacrificing profits.

Finish Line Convenience Stores is one company trying to keep prices down. Manager Cherly Buholt said if the company had remained part of Phillps 66 the store would not be able to compete.

"People complain all the time but I have no control over it," Buholt said. "I'm selling gas at below cost right now."

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Freshmen enrollment hits decade high

By Ashley Bally Staff Writer

Northwest's enrollment for first-time freshman students is the highest its been in more than a decade.

In 1994 Northwest set the precedent at 1,299 students. Currently, freshman enrollment is reported at 1,300 students.

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Since 1994 freshman enrollment has been declining, reaching its lowest in 1998 at 1,114

students.
According to Dean of Enroll-

ment Beverly Schenkel, the University is working on several projects to attract new students. Recruitment teams serve as the backbone of attracting new students.

"This is our first class of students that we recruited and communicated with since they were sophomores in high school," Schenkel said. "Prior to this we only began working with them late in their junior year."

Moreover, the American Dream Grant, which attracts students who would otherwise

be unable to afford attending a four-year institution, is presently offered to 222 students on-campus.

Residence halls such as the Tower Suites and Forest Village Apartments also enticed the incoming class.

"The construction and facility upgrades that we have had take place on campus have had a very positive image for the University," Schenkel said.

iiversity," Schenkel said. "So, as we look to the fall of

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MORE FRESHMEN? WHAT INCREASE MEANS

Wth 1300 new freshmen on campus this year, several issues have arisen.

Dorms. With the demolition of Hudson and Perrin, some freshmen now live in North Complex instead of the High

Parking. Plan ahead. If parking is the plan on the

west side of campus give yourself plenty of time to get a parking spot. Lots even behind the baseball field are full on a regular basis.

American Dream. With the addition of the American Dream grant, 222 students are on campus that possibly would not have been here without this chance.



Come Home to Alpha Delta Pi

Alpha Delta Pi, the new sorority at Northwest, is recruiting women the week of September 18 to become founding members of our sorority. We will hold a separate recruitment following the Panhellenic recruitment period. We're seeking women of all ages—freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior—to join our sisterhood.

If you're looking for a 'home away from home' at Northwest, we hope you'll join us for our events.

Sunday, Sept. 18 3:00 The Station Informational Session and Reception for Interested Women*

Mon-Wed, Sept. 19-21 By appointment Jones Student Union "Tell Us About You" (Interview) Sessions

Tuesday, Sept. 20 Roberta Hall Philanthropy Event

Thursday, Sept. 22

Alpha Delta Pi Bid Day

*RSVP appreciated (at email address listed below), but not required.



For more information, look for our table in Jones Student Union the weeks of September 12 and September 19, or email ADPiNorthwest@aol.com.





ON FRESHMEN move-in day, parents and students alike wait in the heat trying to get into Miliken Hall. Freshmen enrollment numbers are the highest its been in 10 years.

GALs desire to bring faith to others

By Ben Koehn **Staff Writer**

Every year, hundreds of college students come to Northwest where they will either find themselves or get lost in the crowd. Now one sorority hopes to find

"It's not about the organization," said Gamma Alpha Lambda president Kelsie Giambalvo. "It's about these girls' hearts."

Gamma Alpha Lambda, or GAL, is the new sorority at Northwest. Initiated last spring, it currently has more than 50 members at Northwest with the current officers of GAL anxious to see what this semester's rush week brings them.

GAL is denominational Christian sorority, but according to Vice President of Public Relations officer Jackie Swanson, you don't have to be a hardcore Christian to be in GAL.

"We are looking for women who have a desire to get closer to God or to even learn about God if you don't know anything about him yet," Swanson said.

The women of GAL also make it clear that GAL is not Pan-Hellenic, meaning that women from other

Community members,

The federal Dept. of

Northwest students and

four freshman seminar

classes participated in a bio-

terrorism drill Aug. 30.

sororities are also welcome to join GAL.

GAL first came to Northwest after Kelsie Giambalvo learned of GAL from a member of her bible study group in Lee's Summit, Mo., who attended college at Missouri State University in Springfield, Mo., and had been a member of GAL.

The appeal of GAL immediately struck Giambalvo. GAL, Giambalvo thought, could be a tool for Christian women at Northwest to unite and keep each other accountable.

"It's so easy coming into college to fall through the cracks, to just feel lost out there," says Giambalvo.

GAL wishes to unite women 'on campus by helping them get involved in bible studies, find accountability partners and to find a place they belong.

And while GAL wants to recruit members to be initiated into the sorority and to become official members of the sisterhood, most events will be open to all students, not just GAL members.

Vice President of Rush Chanda Hisel says that sisterhood while accountability are a huge

bio-terrorist attacks, natural

disasters and epidemics."

Northwest Missouri region

as one of two sites for the bio-

terrorism drill because of the

State officials chose the

part of GAL's purpose, outreach and evangelism cannot be overlooked.

"One of our big goals is to bring in people who are non-Christian and to invite them to our social events," Hisel said. "The image that we had is that we'd be girls united, holding hands in a circle, facing outward towards other people."

Initially, there was some concern by many women on campus about whether or not GAL was going to take over their lives turning them into their greatest fear: a stereotypical, cliquey sorority.

"It's not like it's going to be a huge time requirement for the girls if they don't want it to be," said Vice President of Membership Katie Kindler. "You'can be as little or as much involved as you want."

The officers of GAL also heavily stress that it is not intended to replace any of the campus ministries, but to compliment them. Instead it is to be used as a supplement for young Christian women who wish to be united with others. Swanson said that GAL goes to delicate measures to make sure that GAL meetings and events do not conflict with the meetings and events of

Maryville Eye Clinic

the campus ministries.

The only requirements for being a member of GAL is that a student has at least a 2.0 grade point average, attends one of Northwest's many campus ministries, participates in a GAL or non-GAL sponsored bible study and wishes to grow in their faith.

Once a student becomes a member they are also required to do service projects and attend social outreach events, but Kindler reassures any interested women those events will not dominate lives already flooded with schoolwork.

And while there are codes of conduct, the codes are biblically based, and according to Hisel, members shouldn't worry about being shunned, fined or kicked out.

"I just feel like we're a really accepting group of women that aren't going to condemn them for things in their past or things that they do wrong," Hisel said. "We're just there to help build each other up and that's what we're all about is building each other up and reaching out to other people."

For more information on GAL, send e-mails to GAL@nwmissouri.edu.

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2007 and new freshman housing opening up I think that will be even more positive."

More students is not always positive. Of the 1,300 new students 1,198 call a Northwest residence hall home. According to Secretary of Residential Life Jenni Murphy, alternative housing measures have been taken. Students are now being housed in Douglas and Roberta which are typically specified for upperclassmen and sorority members. As of last year Roberta Hall, once an all-girl dormitory, was opened to male students to adapt to enrollment changes.

Campus parking has become scarce. According to Director of Campus Safety Clarence Green, around 72 percent of all freshman residents bring their vehicles to campus. Additional parking can be found in the lots across from the Performing Arts Center when spaces are not available. Due to the distance some students have to park from residence halls, Campus Safety officers have escorted several students back to their dormitories at night, Green said.

"Quality pays. We have a high freshman success rate and a high graduation rate," University President Dean Hubbard said. "Quality is in the DNA at Northwest."

CAMPUSBRIEFS

After a year of collaboration, Northwest begins offering classes in Liberty,

According to Steve Fleming, assistant superintendent of human resources, the Liberty School District, is purchasing an office building where they plan to establish several different courses.

The building, located next to Liberty High School, must be remodeled from an office building to accommodate a learning environment. The first two floors of the building are allot-

ted to the Liberty School District while the remaining third and fourth floors are designated for Northwest, according to Superintendent of Schools Scott

Liberty High School will offer advanced placement courses for students, in addition to offering a place where teachers across the Kansas City area can conduct their advanced degree work.

The classes will be taught by professors and through online courses. -Ashley Bally

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Drill prepares community

DeShon faces 42 months

By Cole Young Staff Writer

A former Northwest cross-country coach will spend 42 months in jail after stealing more than \$800,000 from a Missouri school district.

Ronnie Gene DeShon, 51, of Gallatin, Mo., plead guilty to embezzling \$854,699 from the Pattonsburg School District over a four-year period.

DeShon took over as Pattonsburg superintendent in July 2000. He resigned in October, after turning himself in to federal authorities as school board members began growing suspicious.

DeShon told the court he lost the money at dog

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and horse tracks and at sports books in Las Vegas. The hearing drew a crowd of about 30 school district employees, patrons and students wanting to hear the fate of their former leader.

Pattonsburg, a district of 180 students, cancelled school so faculty had the option to attend the proceedings August 24.

"As a professional educator and the chief education leader in the community, DeShon should have made education his top priority," U.S. Attorney Todd Graves said in a news release. "Instead, DeShon took advantage of his position of public trust to victimize the students, parents and taxpayers.of the Pattonsburg School District."

Graves said the district struggled financially during the four years DeShon had district funds deposited into his bank account while claiming it was another account that belonged to the district.

Graves said DeShon altered the district's budget to show they had made \$60,000 in interest.

According to the Assoicated Press, DeShon asks for sympthathy. "I just hope somewhere down the road they'll forgive me," DeShon said. "If they don't, I'll understand. I can't forgive myself."

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

CITYBRIEF

The search for a new Maryville city manager continues through the end of the year as a six-person committee combs through resumes submitted by more than 20 possible appli-

Former city manager Matt Chesnut resigned on July 15 to take a similar job

Although the search is in the beginning stages, Mayor Michael Thompson remains confident the city will find a suitable replacement.

"No one person breaks

Matt Unrein, one possible applicant, is currently filling the position.

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in Florida.

the community," Thompson said. "It's our job to make sure the person we select will keep the vision of this city moving forward."

They expect to begin screening applicants Sept.

Assistant City Manager

-Domnick Hadley

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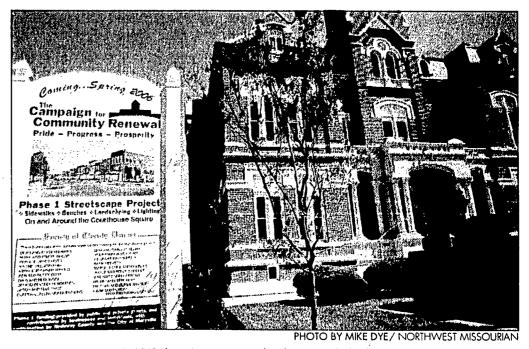
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THE CITY OF MARYVILLE'S downtown renovation is currently in the planning stages with Phase 1 scheduled for completion in the spring of 2006.

New look for downtown, Phase 1 starts in March

By Domnick Hadley Staff Writer

After raising \$1.2 million through grants and private donations, the Campaign for Community Renewal will begin implementation of Phase 1 in March.

The campaign, commissioned by area residents and city officials as part of the downtown revitalization project, has raised \$1.2 million for its four phase renewal plan—only \$300,000 short of its \$1.5 million funding goal.

The project has secured \$350,000 in state tax credits, and future efforts will be geared towards private donations.

The campaign began its effort to revitalize downtown in 2002, in hopes of transforming the area into a viable, produc-

tive business district. Campaign board members spent more than two years canvassing neighboring cities such as Shenandoah, Iowa and Savannah, Mo., that had initiated similar downtown renovation projects before developing their current plan.

Phase 1, currently in the planning stages, will focus primarily on improving and restoring existing infrastructure in downtown Maryvillewith extra emphasis on the Nodaway County Courthouse square.

Plans for Phase 1 include sidewalk improvements near Fourth Street and around the square, crosswalks for pedestrian safety, lamp posts and new lighting, improved landscaping on the square and courthouse lawn and new benches and trash receptacles. There are also plans to erect new signs for the courthouse and install sidewalk plazas throughout downtown.

"We pretty much got enough of everything (to start the project)," Campaign Chairman Mark Gregg said. "At this point, we've got all the standard features and there would be a few more elements, uptown." we want to add, We want street Eundraising efforts for to create an economically ' viable atmosphere, which will retain and attract shopping dollars from consumers in northwest Missouri and southwestern lowa."

In addition to basic renewal plan.

infrastructure improvements, a revolving loan fund will be available for downtown business and building owners wanting to make improvements to their store fronts.

The fund will distribute low interest loans for new signs, awnings and other aesthetic improvements.

Kyle Mayes, owner of Cobbler Cottage Shoe Repair, believes the campaign efforts will be beneficial to businesses and downtown as a whole.

Although Mayes will not participate in the available loan fund, he believes the renewal campaign will help return the area into the viable retail hub it once

"I think it's a good thing," Mayes said. "(Downtown) was more of a retail center. It's still vital, but it's different. I think the renewal campaign will make for a more attractive

the campaign will continue throughout the year until board members reach their \$1.5 million goal.

No dates have been set for the beginning of the other three phases of the





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Do you believe...?

Faith in God restores hope

Tery few times in my life can I say I have truly experienced revelation, but this summer I was lucky enough to have my faith restored in God.

At the close of last school year I penned editorial entitled, "Christianity 'should be' more than a label," in which I admitted to being agnostic. In the article, I tried to encourage those



Stephanie Stangl Staff Writer

claiming to be Christian to merely start acting more Christian-like.

It seemed simple to me and although not intended to be offensive, the article was perceived positively and negatively, but mostly negatively. I received everything from pats on the back to hate mail.

Neither response is what made me

reconsider my stance on God.

Allow me to regress. I spent nine weeks this past summer interning at the St. Joseph News-Press. Throughout the internship I had the privilege of covering some very heart-wrenching stories, including one on Camp Quality, a camp for children with

To look into the eyes of survivors and hear them attribute their recovery to God didn't surprise me, though it did knock me over with a swift punch in the gut. All these people believing in something I once denied was enough for me to take a step back and reconsider my stance.

Days after my internship I was seated on a plane to Dallas when my seatmate kindly asked me what my name was, where I was from and my religious beliefs. At first I was shocked; I never had someone I didn't know ask me about something so personal.

I told her she probably wouldn't be too fond of my response, but I would be honest with her just the same. She proceeded to inform me that faith could be restored and things could change if I accepted God and began living for God. When I disclosed the hurts of my past, she promised God would repay me for the years I lost. When I told her it was all the devastation in my past that made me believe a god couldn't exist to hurt me so badly, she held

She also disclosed that when she was in college she went through many of the same things as I did and she had many of the same hurts. But, it was also in college that she turned her life around and accepted Christ as her Savior.

I then knew I had to find the strength inside myself to do the same because I could feel something missing. I wanted to begin serving God, helping others and learning things like forgiveness along the way.

I used to deny God, for I claimed my logical nature didn't allow me to believe in something I cannot see. At the same time, I cannot see the wind, but I know it's there because of how it startles the leaves upon trees. I cannot see love, but I feel its effect on me from my family and

I may not be able to see God, but through the affect He's had on so many lives, and more recently my own, I now know He's there.

Faith fades in dire circumstances

s my 10-year-old cousin's health slowly faded away in a one and a half year battle against cancer, so did my faith in God. The last time I saw Andrew as a happy, carefree 9year-old with no worries and no disease was Christmas 2001. We were at my grandmother's in Bloomfield, Neb., celebrating the holiday season Wilson style-way too much food, way too often.

It was only months afterward that the family first caught wind that something was seriously wrong with Andrew. Signs were noticeable, but the pieces never fit together in our minds. Andrew's handwriting began to decline and his entire sense of balance was off. He would fall over or clip his side

on a wall or doorway. It was his teacher, however, who finally said something to Andrew's mother and they took him in to the local doc-

tor to see what was wrong. The blood work came back...and things didn't look good.

It wasn't long after that we all heard the verdict-Andrew had a rare brain tumor, and a slim chance of sur-



Riley Huskey Staff Writer

The brain tumor was located on Andrew's brainstem, making it inoperable. If a surgery would be done to take the tumor off and out of Andrew's brainstem, his life would end on the operating table. This is

when I began to evaluate my faith in God. He died two days before Thanksgiving 2002. Before passing away, his favorite song came on televi-

sion - Rascal Flatts', "These Days." He opened his eyes for the last

time, shed a few tears and

passed away.

In my mind, no child deserves to die. And better yet, no child should have to watch him or herself deteriorate. No child should have to suffer. And no child should ever have that much pain.

My family members and I prayed for Andrew's recovery, and then for his comfort and,

finally, to let him go. Sure, there are unanswered prayers everyday, but that's not what I'm getting at. I hear time and time again from Christians there is a time and place for every human being to enter the afterlife a set time, at a set place, on specific day - but I don't believe it.

I'm not going to put Christianity down because, truth be told, if you are a Christian and do live your life for God, that's great. I've always admired people who uphold their religious beliefs and morals — it's the people that call themselves Christians, but don't act like true Christians that upset me. And that goes for any religion — not just Christianity.

It's true, I don't believe in a heaven or hell — at least at this point in my life. I'd like to say my relationship with God and Christianity may someday change again, but I don't foresee that in the near future.

Whenever I'm back in Bloomfield I make a point to go out to Andrew's grave. I sit there in my truck with all of my windows rolled down and my driver's door open, blaring Rascal Flatts, "These Days."

Gas prices raise concern across country

By Rose Afriyie Pittsburgh University

The school year has officially started. While I have been consumed with everyday activities such as apartment chores, picking up my dry cleaning and calling my grandmother, I've also looked into the tedious task of picking out my parents' offering for a graduation gift: a new car and a dog.

The dog was easy: a chocolate brown malte-poodle. The car was a completely different story. While I am really thankful to be looking for this gift, it seems that my friends with cars have halfway convinced me that I shouldn't be. The culprit that has turned them completely against their vehicles - and mine - is the steadily increasing price of gas.

How could gas prices raise an average of 6.2 cents in two weeks? Or rather, what could cause an increase of 73 cents since last year?

It seems that a lot of people are pointing fingers at the individual residing in the White House, the war — which could also be an extension of the former — and certain countries. But I think we all need to consider the complexities of the oil market and what specifically causes the shock and disbelief we experience when we drive by our local stations.

The No. 1 thing that affects gas prices is crude oil inventories. Although the United States is the world's second-largest producer of oil, crude oil inventories affect us because we are heavily reliant on foreign sources.

The organization that impacts these inventories most is the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries. OPEC consists of 11 nations that hold twothirds of the world's oil supply and contribute about 40 percent of oil production. One problem comes when they decide to reduce production, which causes gasoline prices to skyrocket —basically the supplyand-demand concept.

The other major factors that affect gas prices can be deduced by simply observing the financial breakdown of each gallon of gas. The largest chunk, 45 percent, goes to the crude oil suppliers, or in other words, OPEC. Then there are refining costs that account for 13 per-

Because the world cannot be held at a constant, we must also include world events, wars and weather, which are all current factors.

While the government undoubtedly ays a role, it doesn't exactly help that we consume 20 million barrels of oil per day. This translates to 65 billion gallons of motor gasoline each year, and that figure increases by 2.6 percent annually.

As college students, we have the power to affect change when it comes to gas prices, and we are not powerless, despite the complexities that surround an issue that we are all undeniably affected by.

So, after considering all factors, while I haven't decided on a brand yet, I'm definitely going to go with a car with a diesel or hybrid engine because in the long run, it costs my community — and me — a lot less, financially and mentally.

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Greetings from Public Safety



Keith Wood

WELCOME BEARCATS! It is really good to have you here and we hope you have had a great summer before having to come to the 'Ville to

hit the books.

For us here at Public Safety, we've had an OK summer, but to tell you the truth, things have been a little quiet without you. As you can imagine, our activities and calls for service differ greatly when you are

not around. I wanted to address this letter to you early on

so as to establish the right tone and relationship for the year, as well as tell you of a couple of law changes that can impact you.

There are two significant changes in the law. 1) Minor in possession (MIP) used to require the minor to be physically holding an alcoholic container, consumption, no matter how much, was not possession. That has changed and consumption, or having alcohol in your system as a minor, is now possession. (And, FYI, any MIP with a .02 or greater BAC is subject to a 30 day drivers license suspension). 2) Persons, private or business, distributing alcohol (even house parties with open access to liquor), now have a legal responsibility to prevent minors from access to the alcohol. The law now states that it is a violation to "...knowingly fail to stop..." any minor's access to that alcohol. So, when having parties

where alcohol is available, some responsible person needs to be actively preventing minors from getting the drinks.

As for the relationship matter, it seems that each year takes on its own persona, and dictates how we are received, if/when that need arises. You can be assured that when in contact with our officers that you will be treated politely, courteously and with respect. IF, you ever find that any other way, I want to be informed of it as soon as possible and our supervisors are prepared to listen to your concerns. We have recently held a department meeting to emphasize that point.

For your part, I am asking the same in return. You do not have to like the action that an officer is taking and you may not agree, but I would ask that you simply respond with compliance and respect. Historically, the bulk of our relationship conflicts arise when people want to argue legal points or refuse our requests, because they now know more about the law, usually after just consuming a six-pack or its equivalent. The officers are encouraged to practice patience but take the action necessary to complete the job at hand; so the street-side, legal disagreement with an officer --- when he/she likely has several other issues to address — is never productive and could serve to compound the situation.

The bottom line is, we are YOUR Public Safety Department and we are here for you. The nature of our task often leaves us in a non-envious position of sometimes taking actions that people simply don't like, but usually were avoidable.

NATION: Gas prices take nationwide hike

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heating oil and jet fuel from Houston to markets up and down the East Coast. A Transportation Department spokesman said Wednesday the Plantation Pipe Line Co. would restore partial service on its East Coast lines Wednesday night as well and that both companies expected to be fully operational by late Thursday.

Similarly, the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port, through which 10 percent of all U.S. oil imports flow, said generators would enable it to gradually resume partial

"Every little bit is going to help," said oil analyst John Kilduff at Fimat USA in New

A significant amount of oil and gas production in the Gulf of Mexico remains shut and reports of bangedup platforms and missing rigs continued to trickle in as companies conducted aerial inspections of offshore facilities.

Onshore, wholesale gasoline suppliers have begun capping the amount of fuel they sell to retailers in cer-

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tain markets to make sure retailers do not take delivery of more fuel than they actually need. Analysts said that while shortages have been reported in a small number of markets, they do not believe the problem is widespread and they cautioned motorists not to top off tanks out of fear.

With retail gasoline prices surging, BP PLC said in an e-mail to clients that it is making "pricing decisions with prudence and restraint in the wake of this natural disaster."

Light sweet crude for

October delivery on the New York Mercantile Exchange fell 87 cents to settle at \$68.94 a barrel, down from an overnight high of \$70.65. On Tuesday, oil futures settled at \$69.81, the highest closing price on Nymex since trading began in 1983, although still below the inflation-adjusted high of about \$90 a barrel that was set in 1980.

October gasoline futures surged as high as \$2.92 a gallon on Nymex and settled at \$2.6145 per gallon, an increase of 14 cents. That is 35 percent higher than they were on Friday.

LOCAL: Residents, businesses start to feel pressure

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Buholt said fuel containing ethanol, in addition to helping farmers, is cheaper to produce and cheaper at the pump. Ethanol sales at one store are close to double that of regular fuel and more than twice as much at the other store.

"We fought to get it here and now we can't keep enough of it in the ground, Buholt said. "It burns a lot cleaner and is better for the environment."

Many refineries located off-shore and in Louisiana were forced to shut down due to Hurricane Katrina hitting the Gulf Coast earlier this week. Bill Rottman, Aunt B's gas station attendant said the scare of prices rising due to the storm caused a rush at the

pumps Monday.

"Everybody knew," Rottman said. "It was nonstop at the pumps from 3 to 7 p.m."

Fuel prices have also caused company managers and department officials to look for solutions to fit the extra cost within budgets.

Campus Safety Director Clarence Green said more exercise is in store for Campus Safety officers.

"We are encouraging officers to do more foot patrols," Green said. "It helps to cut out some unnecessary driving."

Gaspricewatch.com and gasbuddy.com are two sources on the web for the lowest prices in nearby neighborhoods. People can log on and find the cheapest rates near them.

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1400 block S. Main, Maryville ongoing investigation larceny/stealing

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Arrests

Jesse L. Haynes, 33, Maryville for property damage - second degree, vicious dog and dog at large at 300 block S. Frederick at 9:41 p.m.

Brian L. Stein, 22, Maryville, for indecent exposure at 200 block W. Second St. at 11:28 p.m.

Thomas Aubuchon, 35, DeSoto, Mo., for DWI, open container in a vehicle. failure to signal turn at 100 block W. Fifth St. at 2:41

Jeremy L. Hughes, 19, Maryville, for wanted on warrant at 1400 block E. First St. at 10:12 p.m.

Kena B. Rife, 20, Maryville, for MIP at 400 block N. Buchanan at 11:59 p.m.

Christopher W. Eidam, 19, Maryville, for MIP at 900 block N. Mulberry at 12:58 David J. Eisenmonger, 20, Maryville, for MIP, possession of another's ID at 500 block N. Mulberry at 1:16 a.m.

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Justin C. Pence, 20, Union Star, Mo., for MIP, careless and imprudent driving and no proof of financial responsibility at U.S. highway 136 at 12:59 a.m.

Joseph T. Mendez, 19, King City, Mo., for MIP at U.S. highway 136 at 12:59 a.

Tyler J. Jones, 20, Maryville, for MIP at 1000 block N. Main at 10:35

Megan M. Waters, 18, Maryville, for MIP at 1000 block N. Main at 10:35

Delia K. Bailey, 20, Maryville, for MIP and possession of another's ID at 400 block N. Buchanan at 11:47

Joshua A. Woodke, 20, Maryville, for MIP and false information to an officer at 400 block N. Buchanan at 12:11 a.m.

Trenton K. Long, 19, Maryville, for MIP and larceny/stealing at 400 block N. Buchanan at 12:23 a.m.

Alison J. Hipsley, 19, Bedford, Iowa, for resisting arrest and MIP at 300 block S. Main at 12:56 a.m.

Charla C. Costello, 20, Maryville, for MIP at 400 block N. Buchanan at 1:06 a.m.

Jennifer A. Martin, 20, Weston, Mo., for MIP at 400 block N. Buchanan at 12:30

Patrick W. Sites, 23, Doolittle, Mo., for DWI, fail to signal turn anddd failure to maintain financial responsibility at 200 block N. Main at 2:33 a.m.

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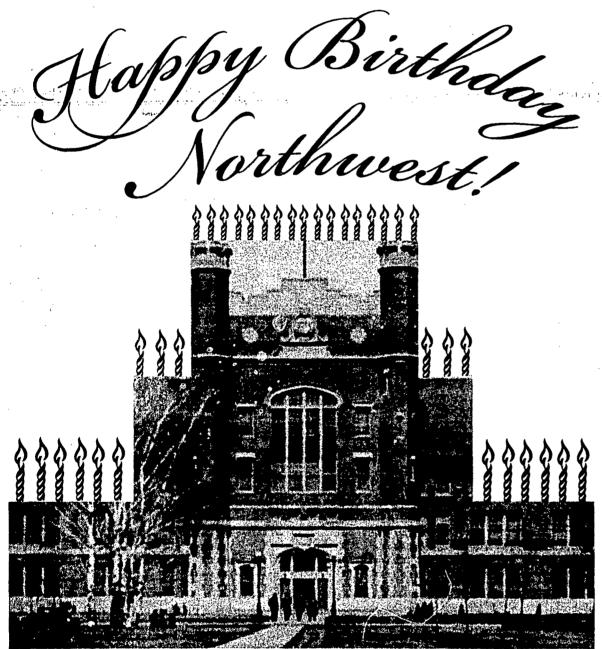
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More events and special recognitions are scheduled throughout the year.







Maryville's newest law to bottle-up underage drinking

By Kristine Hotop Staff Writer

🕯 imply setting your drink down when the cops come to break up a house party used to be enough.

But because of Missouri's recently passed law, Northwest students don't necessarily need to be holding an alcoholic beverage to be slapped with a stiff fine and a tarnished record.

Effective Aug. 28, the Minor in Possession by Consumption law cracks down on underage drinking. The law states if the police suspect a minor of consuming alcohol, even if an alcoholic container isn't present.

The minor can be asked to take a breathalyzer. The new bill states judiciary system and the that the body is a container; any minor with alcoholic levels over .02 or "visibly intoxicated" traits can be charged with the crime.

The violation is classified as a Minor in Possession crime and receives the same ticket but is stated as its own bill entitled Minor in Possession by Consumption.

The Missouri Senate Bill 402 changes six existing alcohol-related laws. The bill adds more harsh

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and less lenient punishments on minors who publically display their drunken state.

"The state of Missouri has its own rules set; as well the city of Maryville has its own ordinance that both the community and campus must follow," Campus Safety Director Clarence Green said.

The University continues to be drug and alcohol-free and enforces the same set of regulations concerning alcohol on the premises. Campus Safety doesn't expect an extreme increase in minor in possession tickets, but there could be a slight rise, according to Green.

When a student is caught on campus for an alcohol related offense, their first offense is referred to the campus second is sent to the state judiciary system.

However, these rules don't mean students should fear or avoid campus. The idea of walking while intoxicated has risen in importance in some minors' minds. A common myth among students is police can demand anyone walking or outside a house party to take a breathalyzer and receive an MIP if alcohol is detected.

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still need probable cause and reasonable suspicion to stop anyone walking the streets.

"(Officers) can't just randomly walk up to someone and make them breathe into a breathalyzer," Green said. "The person has to look overly intoxicated or be causing a disturbance to draw attention for an officer to stop them."

Students can benefit by understanding the laws and rules they must abide by in order to stay out of trouble. Students must also keep in mind it is their duty to act maturely about any alcohol situations.

"I think that the law will prompt more drunk driving," James Sondag, GAMMA co-president, said. "Minors who have been drinking will be more afraid to walk home now. They should utilize the Safe Ride program, but I don't think that they will."

In case this does happen, students are encouraged to use Safe Ride. The Safe Ride program on campus serves Northwest students as well as guests — as long as a photo I.D. or Bearcat card is provided prior to entering the van — and always serves as a better

the myth is wrong. Police—alternative than entering a car with alcohol.

"Safe Ride will not enforce the alcohol laws: it will continue to run the same way it always has," Green said. "No one should receive a ticket for driving under the influence on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday night because of Safe Ride. There will be no repercussions for using the van when a minor has been drinking."

The vehicle operates under certain rules in order to keep its passengers safe after depar-

The van will pick up students in the city limits of Maryville and transport them to a safe place. Safe Ride, however, will not allow riders to leave the van at additional house parties, not make any stops at bars, stores or gas stations for any circumstance.

"The best choice is to walk if you have been drinking and you choose not to take Safe Ride," Green said. "The law states that it is illegal for anyone under 21 to drink alcohol, but you and I both know that not everyone is going to follow that. So, the best scenario for everyone is to just walk straight to where they need to go."



DID YOU KNOW? A QUICK REFERENCE TO MISSOURI'S SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICIES.

Missouri Senate Bill 402 expanded the Minor in Possession law. Listed here are additional laws recently passed or amended.

Expungement of record. If a minor is found guilty of minor in possession by consumption and has not committed another alcohol related offense after one year, or by the age of 21 may request the misdemeanor by taken off record. Only one removal may be received per person.

House parties. This section of the bill adds that any owner, occupant or person with legal use of property who fails to prevent minors from drinking will be charged with a Class B misdemenor.

Making, selling fake IDs. Anyone who attains, sells of uses any type of fake

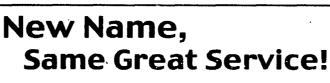
identification for reasons of purchasing or selling alcohol to minors is guilty of a Class A misdemenor.

School policy on alcohol. By June 30, 2006, each school district in Missouri shall create and enforce a plan punishing students disobeying rules against possessing or consuming alcohol on school property.

Suspension of drivers license. If a person guilty of minor in possession is older than 15, may have their driving privelages revoked. The time period can last for 30 days on a first offense, 90 days for a second offense and up to a year for subsequent offenses.

For additional and more detailed information on Missouri alcohol laws, visit www.moga.state.mo.us/ statutes/chapters/chap311.







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THE NORTHWEST SPECIAL TEAMS were responsible for the first touchdown of the season. Zach Chambers (35) blocked a punt which was recovered by E.J. Falkner in the endzone for the Bearcats. Northwest picked up their first win in overtime, 24-21 over Minnesota State- Mankato.

Early Season Showdown

Mavericks present tall task for Northwest defense

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

The Northwest football team has little time to celebrate their seasonopening victory against Minnesota State-Mankato.

Saturday they play a team Coach Mel Tjeerdsma considers possibly their toughest opponent of the season. The fifth ranked Bearcats will travel to play the University of Nebraska-Omaha, ranked seventh in the nation.

"The important thing is that we go up there and play well," Tjeerdsma said. "I don't care anything about where we're ranked, where they're ranked or anything else. It's a tough game and it's going to be a tough challenge for us, and we have to go there and answer the challenge."

The Mavericks come off a 41-17 victory against Nebraska-Kearney. Senior wide receiver Chris Denney paved the way for the Mavericks by catching 10 passes for 260 yards and two touchdowns. Denney was just 57 yards shy of the school record for yards in a game.

Quarterback Brian Masek completed 15 of 19 passes for 291 yards and three touchdowns.

'(There's) not really any big concerns, it's just a matter of us doing our job," cornerback Brandon Clayton. "... If we just eliminate big plays, then we should be pretty much unbeatable."

Clayton, who had two tackles, was part of the reason that the Mankato offense only picked up 176 yards

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Overtime field goal seals first win of young season for Bearcats

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

Special teams certainly made an impact in the season opener for the Northwest football team.

Fortunately for the Bearcats, the last mark the unit made was positive. The team avoided an upset on the road with a 24-21 victory over Minnesota State-Mankato thanks to a new face.

True freshman Tommy Frevert kicked a 39-yard field goal in overtime to secure the victory for the No. 5 'Cats.

'In my head it was pretty much 'don't miss' and I needed to bounce back from my first field goal that I missed," Frevert said.

The 'Cats rallied in the fourth quarter on a 15-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Josh Lamberson to wide receiver Andre Rector to tie the game at 21-21 with 10:48 left in the game. The 'Cats defense then held off Mankato three more times to force overtime.

Mankato won the coin toss after a 16-minute delay in between periods due to a power outage on the Northwest sideline. The Bearcat offense went three yards and set up the field goal for Frevert,

See CATS page 2B

Class 2 finalist first on plate for 'Hounds

By Brendan Kelley Staff Writer

It's amazing how much difference a year can make.

Last year the Maryville Spoofhounds started their season with a game against the Cameron Bulldogs. The end result was a 27-10 'Hounds victory.

Now, a year later, the 'Hounds prepare to face off against Cameron to start their 2005 season. The difference is that the 'Hounds lost 18 seniors from a team that fell one game short of the state championship game in 2004. They also have a first year quarterback at the helm.

Cameron poses a number of threats. The Bulldogs finished second in the state last year in Class 2 football and have a four-year starting quarterback to go along with a strong receiving corps.

"We'll be facing one of the best pure passing teams in the state of Missouri on Friday," coach Paul Miller said. "Any time we face something like that I worry. It's not that our kids have done anything bad or wrong, I just worry about whether or not we've had enough

New quarterback Kevin Schluter will find himself paired with some inexperience in the backfield when the 'Hounds take



PHOTO BY MIKE DYE NORTHWEST MISSOURIAM

KEVIN SCHLUTER will be under center when the season kicks off against Cameron Friday night at the 'Hound Pound.

the field on Friday night.

"You have to take them under you wing," Schluter said. "They still make some mental mistakes, but overall they're doing good and we're ready to go."

From a defensive standpoint the goal for the 'Hounds will be to shutdown Cameron's passing

See HOUNDS page 3B

Reserved seating hopes to alleviate long lines

By Cole Young Staff Writer

Students can now sleep in a little bit longer on Saturday

mornings. A new plan unveiled by the athletic department makes all Northwest student seats reserved, beginning with the home opener against Truman

State on Sept. 10. "Essentially we want to make it easier for all the students to enjoy the game," said Assistant Athletic Director

Mark Clements. "By doing this, we are giving students the chance to get their ticket ahead of time and know that their spot will be there when they arrive."

Through a new computer

system, students, along with the general public, will be able to go to the student services desk and

See TICKETS page 3B

RESERVED SEATING? WHAT DOES THIS MEAN

The plan for reserved seating is to give students a set spot to sit rather than having to rush to the stadium to find seats.

Season tickets. Students have the option to visit the Student Services desk and pick up tickets for all regular season home games.

No rush. A bonus of this plan means no more showing up at the stadium two hours early just to hold down your spot.

Better Spots. All reserved seats for students now fall in the middle of the grandstand, giving students the best seats in the stadium.

New club sport in the works for University

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

In the next couple editions of The Missourian we will break down the pros and cons of bringing wrestling back.

Fliers have been floating around Northwest informing students a wrestling team might return to Northwest.

However, the athletic department feels that the fliers might have been misleading.

"It said on there 'bring college wrestling back to Northwest," Athletic Director Bob Boerigter said. "We were troubled on that bullet point."

Intercollegiate wrestling is not coming back to Northwest, although it could soon be a club

sport, Boerigter said.

"We weren't alone with that interpretation ... a half a dozen students stopped me and asked me if it was coming back as an intercollegiate sport," Boerigter said.

Graduate student David Nugent, 23, heads up and said he didn't intend for the fliers to be misleading. He said he and Boerigter have talked about the problem

via email. Until Wednesday, the club had not yet found a practice facility. Albany High School agreed to let the organization practice at the school after Northwest and Maryville High School both said no. However, Albany is about a 40

miles from Northwest. "I mean it's disappointing, it's obviously more cost efficient

to have it in Maryville ... but it's better to have something than nothing," Nugent said.

Loren Butler of the Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance department will advise the group while Terry Robertson (also of the HPERD department) will co-advise.

Nugent and the organization will soon bring it up before Student Senate in the next couple weeks, who will then decide whether or not they should approve the organization.

If the organization is approved the group would be members of the National Collegiate Wrestling Association. It would allow them to travel around and compete against other schools that offer it as a club sport.

THE NEXT SIX



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CATS: Kicker wins it with OT kick

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who redeemed himself after missing a 23-yard field goal in the first quarter.

'I'm proud of Tommy ... he felt bad about missing that first field goal. I think he was little excited, from what he said he probably took his eye off the ball a little bit," coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "He sure didn't miss the second one, he nailed that baby."

Frevert's kick capped off a night that was full of interesting plays for the fairly inexperienced—special teams unit. The positives included a game-winning field goal, a blocked punt and six returns for over 80 yards. The negatives included two bad snaps and a missed field goal.

However, special teams play wasn't the only reason why Northwest struggled to get out of the gate against

Quarterback Josh Lamberson, in his first game since last year's season ending hip injury, struggled as he completed 26 of 40 passes for 270 yards.

"I'm a little disappointed actually," Lamberson said. "I don't think we played tentative on the offense, I don't think tentative is the word. I just don't really think we hit full gear tonight on the offense side of the ball ... It's our first game we got to learn from it and hopefully improve from it."

Lamberson seemed hesitant early as he didn't tuck the ball as he has in the past. Lamberson only finished with a net gain of 3 rushing

The receiving corps picked up the ground game's slack as Lamberson hit eight different receivers. Sophomore E.J. Falkner left



PHOTO BY COLE YOUNG/ NIORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

ANDRE RECTOR looks downfield against Minnesota-Mankato last Thursday night. Rector finished the game with 107 receiving yards in the Bearcat's season opener.

the game in the third quarter with a hip injury after three receptions for 53 yards and a touchdown. Senior Andre Rector led all receivers with nine receptions for 107 yards and one touchdown. Omon also chipped in with five receptions for

Northwest got on the board in the first quarter thanks to a blocked punt by Falkner who then jumped on the ball in the end zone. The 'Cats later drove 78 yards in 10 plays in the second quarter to score again on a 36-yard touchdown pass to Falkner, putting them up 14-0.

Mankato got the ball back with 1:23 left in the half. After holding, for the doors, Mankato faced a third and six from their own 12-yard line. Northwest called a timeout with 39 seconds with hopes of getting the ball back again.

The plan backfired as quarterback Jamie Van-DenElzen found Kyle Krivoruchka for a 37-yard gain. Two plays later VanDenElzen found Tyrell Smith for a 36-yard touchdown with 18 seconds left in the half.

"We should have let the clock run out," Tjeerdsma said. "But when you have a team down like that, you want to take advantage. I put the defense in a bad position, and that is my mistake."

UNO: Top 10 team up next for 'Cats

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the air. On the ground the defensive line will have its hands full again. After Mankato gained 119 yards on the ground last week, the 'Cats will face running back Jamar Day who picked up 119 yards on his own a week ago.

"Basically we have to be fundamentally sound, they have a good football team, we just feel like we've got the fundamentals down, keep the conditioning up, be very aggressive, we'll be fine," defensive tackle Steve Williams said.

The Mavericks defense only allowed 33 rushing yards and running back Xavier Omon said they will have to mix it up.

"They take advantage. of their speed, their linebackers just flow to the ball really well," running back Xavier Omon said. "But then again that can hurt them, they flow very well but then again we're going to take advantage of their team flowing to the ball so hard ... There will be no side-to-side Barry Sanders run, it's got to be all up hill basically.

The Mavericks did however allow 246 pass-

ing yards in their season opener. The 'Cats, however, might be a little shorthanded on the receiving end of the ball. Wide receiver E.J. Falkner suffered a hip-pointer early in the third quarter last week. He expected to play Saturday but Tjeerdsma is not sure if that will happen.

"I don't know, I hope he is (going to play), I feel like he will be," Tjeerdsma said. "But I was a little disappointed (Tuesday), I thought he was ready to go. All indications were that he was ready to go and he wasn't. It's pretty hard to play if you don't practice, so we'll see."

The Bearcats, who will start at 6 p.m. Saturday, will try to finish non-conference play with a perfect 2-0 record. Conference play starts next week.

Though Omaha could a pose a possible upset, players like Omon believe that they will finish down the stretch.

"We've got to outmuscle (Omaha) and out work them," Omon said. "By the fourth quarter we should wear them down and that's what it's going to come down to, who wants it

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STUDENTS FROM AROUND bumps a ball during the season opener Tuesday night against Clarinda. Maryville picked up a straight sets win. Maryville now travels to the Fairfax Tourney.

Volleyball sweeps Clarinda, prepares for Fairfax Tourney

By Andy Timko StafF Writer

The Spoofhound volleyball team opened the 2005 season with a new coach and a win on their home court Tuesday night.

Fighting off opening day jitters, the 'Hounds topped the Clarinda Cardinals in three games (25-17, 24-26, 25-18).

"It was great having a home game and opening up with our crowd here,' senior Kim Wolfer said.

Game one remained neck and neck until after the 'Hounds tied it at 16-16. Wolfer served eight good serves in a row, including three service aces to maintain momentum and give the 'Hounds all get down."

"I was happy with the things they did on the court," head coach Steph Suntken said. "Everything we do is aggressive. By hitting aggressive we make the other side make mistakes."

The Cardinals took the lead from the beginning of the second game before letting the 'Hounds come back to tie it at 16-16. From there the 'Hounds rallied to 24-18 before relinquishing the lead by losing eight points in a row and subsequently the match.

"We quit talking and we got frustrated with ourselves," Wolfer said. "It's all about emotions and momentum and when. one of us gets down, we

The 'Hounds started

with the lead for the first time the third game. The bounced back and forth until Katie Wilmes stepped up to serve with the 'Hounds down 11-

"I try to find ways to give them incentives," Suntken said. "We like a lot of 'show us what you can do."

Those words were taken to heart and with 10 consecutive points, including four service aces from Wilmes, the 'Hounds shut the door on Clarinda.

'We didn't want to take it to three games and we did so we wanted to win for sure," Wolfer said.

The 'Hounds will be back in action today at the Fairfax Tournament in Fairfax.

OPENER: Cameron first test for 'Hounds

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game, but also concentrate on doing the little things.

"Cameron hás a tough offense and we have to be hitting on all cylinders," senior Ben McKim said. "We have to be able to hit, tackle and take people

After practicing through August the 'Hounds are more than willing to turn in the heat of practice in the sun for the cool of a game on a Friday night.

"It's time for a game," Miller said. "We're tired of practicing against each other and we're having a hard time focusing mentally."

The 'Hounds did not make it through the pre-

season without injuries. There are a number of players questionable for Friday and two that will not be suiting up.

Fullback Cody Gillen-

water and tailback Ben Demott will not play on Friday which leaves the 'Hounds with only one tailback, but Miller is not worried.

"Even though we're going into the first game of the season with one tailback I feel pretty good," Miller said. "Ryan Stiens will not disappointment me, he will not go into the game and turn the ball over or make mistakes mentally. He will do exactly what you ask him to do and he will do it to the best of his ability."

While Cameron may

not be the easiest opponent to start out against, the 'Hounds are thankful that they will be playing their first game at home.

"It's a big advantage for them to be in familiar surroundings," Miller said. "It's more of a typical day for them, to go into their own locker room and play on their home field."

There is no way of knowing how good a team is until they are game tested and Friday will be the 'Hounds first look. It might also be an indicator as to how the rest of the season will go.

There is no substitute for taking snaps and game experience," Miller said. "Friday night should tell us a lot about ourselves."

Softball blows past Cameron

By Dennis Sharkey Staff Writer

The Maryville softball team improved its record to 3-0 overall and 1-0 in, conference with an 8-2 win over the Cameron Lady Dragons Tuesday.

The Spoofhounds used a strong pitching performance by Junior Caitlin Woods and timely hitting to move past Cameron.

Head coach Kathy Blackney said Woods' pitching is crucial to her team's success after losing their best pitcher from last year to graduation.

"Caitlin's pitching has really come through for us," Blackney said. "We need key hits, today we were getting them."

The 'Hounds were able to pull away from the Lady Dragons with two runs in

the fourth and three more in the fifth.

The 'Hounds took advantage of the wild pitches thrown by Cameron pitcher Samantha Linter.

Sophomore shortstop Iordan Gadbois said the team's communication on the field has led to them cashing in on other's mis-

"We weren't all together at first," Gadbois said. "We were talking and our communication was key. This year we're watching the ball a lot more and that's helping out a lot."

Blackney said the team has taken a more aggressive attitude this year, which has helped make up for deficiencies in other areas.

"We like to be aggressive," Blackney said. "We don't have a lot of speed but we have some, so we try to take advantage of pitches.

The 'Hounds will try to maintain their unblemished record with a game at conference foe Lafayette today.

They head for a tournament in Auburn, Neb. on Saturday.

TICKETS: Reserved seats avaliable for students

Continued from **B1**

pick up tickets anytime tickets still being free to stu-

In the past, the seating has been first come, first serve. The new policy is an attempt to alleviate this.

"We are trying to get away from that big bull rush right at the beginning." Clements said. "This will give our ticket window workers more time and also give the students more time."

Three sections have been reserved in the east grandstand as student sections.

Another option students have is to pick up what Clements referred to as a "season-ticket" package.

Once the system is fully in place next week, students can get tickets to all regular season home games in one

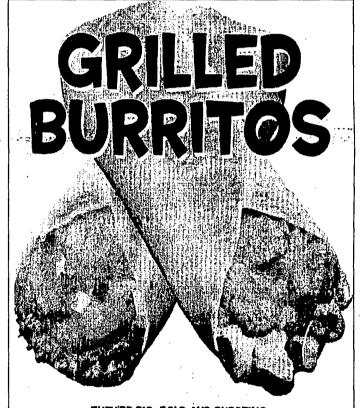
Clements said once the students receive them though there cannot be any reprints.

"If they lose them, we can't go back into our system and get another one for them," he said. "Basically after that if they want to come to the game they just have to go buy a ticket."

Students have the opportunity to pick up their season tickets beginning Tuesday morning at the Administration building.



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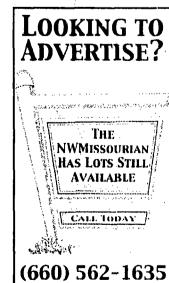


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Brendan Kelly

A man lies awake late at night tossing and turning. He stares at the ceiling; finally he rises and begins walking through his home. He ends up in the living room, sits down on the couch, pulls out

a notebook and flips on the TV. "Daddy, are you okay?" asks a

little voice from behind him. "Yeah, I'm fine darling. Let's get

you back in bed."

He returns back to the couch as visions of running backs, wide receivers and defensive ends dance across the screen.

The next day his team will take the field and he will finally know whether or not he gave them the plays and knowledge to succeed. On Friday night he will remember why he works so hard. The man will look his 18-year old players in the eye as they walk off the field. He will talk to each player assuring them that they did everything they could to win the game. He will leave the stadium Friday night, return home and start the process all over again.

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football coach. In modern day sports it's so easy to get caught up in winning and striving to be the best that we forget that it isn't all about the score.

Last year was my first year covering Maryville Spoofhound football. It didn't take me long to see that the 'Hounds had an amazingly talented team. But, what I began to notice more than the talent was the fight in the players and their attitudes towards media and fans.

The 'Hounds left it all on the field. After games last year every one of the players left tired and sore, but filled with pride. I never saw a Maryville player or coach ignore a reporter or fan. Even after their last game of the season in Harrisonville the coaches and players held their heads high. It would have been so easy for the seniors to just jump on the bus and leave, but they talked to reporters. They gave interviews with tears in their eyes, they high-fived fans and hugged their parents knowing all along that they would never step back onto the field wearing a Maryville jersey.

Some people think that winning makes a coach great, others say that it's all about how many of his players go on to play college football. I can tell you from watching Paul Miller's team play that there's more to football, there's more to life

than that. Miller's team is a direct reflection of the man that he is. They fight until the very end, they push themselves to the limit, and every time they step onto the field they remember what they are representing. Off the field they handle themselves the way athletes should. They bring pride to a program that has a rich history, carrying themselves with confidence, but never acting as though they are above those around them.

There's talk going around that this year's team won't be as good as last year's. People are saying that they're going to struggle, but if there's one thing I know about Paul Miller it's that he knows how to get the most out of his team. Miller teaches his players to play with heart and to hold onto a sense of pride that comes from respecting tradition and history, all the while pushing them to play to the best of their ability.

Miller will put a good team on the field this year, but this season when the game is over instead of staring at the scoreboard and looking at stats, look at the players on Miller's squad.

Football players in Maryville are not just learning how to win, they're learning how to become men and they're learning from one of the best teachers around.



CLINT PRANGE went through drills last spring in preparation for the outdoor season. Prange won his third national championship in discus this May along with an MIAA title.

Spring squads excel at national level

Baseball

The Northwest baseball team finished out their season by going 4-6 in their last 10 games to end up with an overall record of 34-24. The Bearcats season ended with back to back losses to Central Missouri State and Emporia State in the conference tournament.

Matt Coons, Kyle Gallagher and Ryley Westman all earned All-MIAA second-team honors. The 'Cats also had three players earn honorable men-

Track and Field

The highlight for this year's mens' track and field team was Clint Prange. On May 8 Prange set a new MIAA shot put record and became the MIAA champion in both shot put and discus.

became Prange: discus on May 26. It was Prange's third national championship in the discus (02', 03').

Prange followed up his performance by setting a new NCAA record in the shot put with a throw of 66'1" to win his second national championship.

The women's squad had an MIAA champion with Alisha Samuel in the 100-meter dash to go along with four All-MIAA second team nomi-

The Northwest softball team ended their season with a 34-27 record.

The 'Cats season ended with losses to Pittsburg State and Emporia in the conference tournament.

Jaclyn Brown, Katy John and Ashley Pride were All-MIAA second team nominations with Katy John also being named to the second team Louisville Slugger/National Fastpitch Coaches Association division II All-North Central Region team.

The Northwest womens' tennis team wrapped up their season with an 18-11 record, winning the North Central Region. Junior Gena Lindsay won the MIAA Player of the Year award and joined her fellow teammates Raven Herner and Erica Ramirez on the MIAA first team...

The 'Cats mens' tenthe NCAA division II nis team finished out national champion in the their 2005 campaign with a 12-13 record, finishing runner-up in the MIAA tournament to Southwest Baptist.

Freshman Jake Sauls won the conference championship for No. 6 singles. Teammate Lucas Ariboni earned first team All-MIAA honors.

HOW'D THEY DO? **SPRING REVIEW**

Softball-finished 34-27 Baseball-finished 34-24 **Tennis-** finished 18-11 Track and Field-Clint Prange won the discus for the third time. Alisha Samuel earned an MIAA title



SPORTBRIEF

VOLLEYBALL

The Northwest volleyabil team has started off its season by winning their first three matches.

The Bearcats then dropped their last match to finish 3-1 at the Missouri Southern Invitational in Joplin, Mo.

The team started off the weekend on Friday with wins over Central Arkansas and Henderson State. It took all five games to win ter. both matches.

team with 41 kills in the first

The next day the 'Cats finished the tournament with a sweep over Quincy University. But then they were swept by No. 21

Augustana to end the tournament.

They will now head to St. Joseph to play in the Missouri Western Invitational starting Friday.

SOCCER

The Northwest soccer team managed to come from behind Saturday on the road and tie Wayne State 2-2.

The 'Cats scored first on a goal by Beth Gutschenrit-

Wayne State then put Sarah Trowbidge led the two goals in before the end of the first half.

Margaret Trummer scored early in the second half to tie the game at 2-2.

The team plays Missouri-Rolla in their home opener Saturday at 2 p.m.

Waves of Change

Looking for Spoofhound schedules? Check out the Fall Sports Preview located in this week's edition.





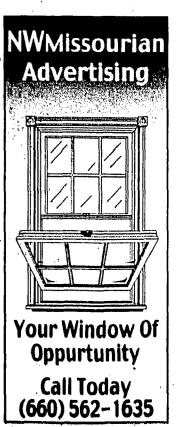
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Royals keep Twins scoreless, set team record in progress

Team scores run in ninth for victory

By Doug Tucker AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. -Emil Brown singled home Denny Hocking with one out in the ninth to lead Kansas City to a 1-0 victory Wednesday over the Minnesota Twins, who set a team record by getting 13 hits in a shutout.

The Twins bounced into four double plays and had runners thrown out at third and home.

It was also a Royals' record for most hits allowed in a shutout, breaking the mark of 10 which had been done four

The Twins' previous record for hits in a shutout was 12 in a 1-0 loss to the California Angels in 1975.

Hocking singled off Matt Guerrier (0-3) leading off the ninth, and reached second when third baseman Terry Tiffee misplayed a grounder by Chip Ambres. Terry Mulholland relieved and struck out Matt Stairs, before Brown

grounded a single just inside the bag at third.

Mike MacDougal (3-4) pitched the ninth for the

The Twins had runners at second and third with one out in the ninth but pinch runner Brent Abernathy was thrown out at third after MacDougal's pitch to Michael Ryan sailed to the backstop.

Abernathy started to come home, then changed his mind and tried to get back to third but catcher Paul Phillips' throw beat

Ryan then took a called third strike. It was the second straight game every Twins starter hit safely.

Kyle Lohse gave up only three hits and one walk in seven innings and had a perfect game until Terrence Long's two-out single in the fourth.

The veteran righthander did not allow another baserunner until Paul Phillips doubled into right-center leading off the

Royals starter Mike Wood gave up eight hits and two walks in six innings but kept the Twins



MARK TEAHEN TAGS out Brent Abernathy trying to advance home on a wild pitch in the ninth inning. Abernathy would have been the go ahead run. The Royals shutout the Twins 1-0.

double plays in the first, second and fourth.

Wood was relieved starting the seventh by Andrew Sisco.

The Royals turned an unusual double play to scoreless with the help of keep the Twins from scor-

ing in the fourth. With runners at first and second and one out, Tiffee grounded to first baseman Joe McEwing. He threw to second for the force out there, but the throw

back to first to get Tiffee

was late.

Jacque Jones, who had singled leading off the inning, tried to score from second but was cut thrown out at home by Wood, who had covered

The Twins also had two runners on base with one out in the first and second innings but Jones and Mike Redmond each rolled into double plays. Jones also bounced into a double play in the eighth.

Saints head for higher ground

By Dave Goldberg AP Football Writer

There is only one certainty about the New Orleans Saints' future: They will live and work out of the Marriott Riverwalk in San Antonio for a while.

Beyond that, question marks abound. It's highly unlikely they'll be able to hold their home opener Sept. 18 at the Superdome and they may not be able to play there at all this season after the stadium was ravaged by Hurricane Katrina.

So that first game against the New York Giants could be at the Alamodome in San Antonio. Or at Tiger Stadium in Baton Rouge, La. Or even at Legion Field in Birmingham, Ala.

And all of those sites could host other home games for the Saints, who escaped the hurricane by flying with their families last weekend to San Jose, Calif. New Orleans plays at Oakland on Thursday night in its final exhibition game.

While the Saints and NFL officials have been discussing a variety of alternatives, they haven't talked yet with many of the people at the proposed sites.

"We can say is LSU an option, yeah, but is it an option with them?" Saints spokesman Greg Bensel said Wednesday by phone from San Jose. "That's the next hurdle. We haven't crossed that hurdle yet."

Only one hurdle has been crossed.

Following the Raiders game, the Saints will go to San Antonio, where they will stay at the same hotel they stayed at last season when Hurricane Ivan chased them out of New Orleans in the second week of the regular season.

The Saints will also use the same practice facilities at Trinity University, so they will have, as Bensel put it, "a certain comfort level with where we are."

That would seem to make the Alamodome, which holds 65,000 for football, a logical alternative, although it's about 550 miles from New Orleans, farther than the NFL would

But at this point, no one

really knows the options.

Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and league officials have discussed the situation over the past few days. Location hasn't been the most important topic.

"We've been talking about how we as a league can assist with relief efforts," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said. "Not only for Saints players and officials and their families. but also for a lot of other players in the league who live or have families in the region."

None of the options for the Saints seem ideal, including the unlikely scenario of playing their entire schedule on the road.

Switching their home opener to the Meadowlands

is a problem because the Giants share their stadium with the New York Jets, who are scheduled to play Miami at home that day.

There has been talk of using Reliant Stadium in Houston, but the Texans are home Sept. 18 to Pittsburgh.

Those hurdles could be overcome by playing games on Saturday or Monday, but it hardly seems like a palatable option to either the team or the league.

The last time a game was shifted on short notice was on Oct. 27, 2003, when the Chargers and Miami Dolphins met at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe, Ariz., after wildfires in southern California prevented the game from being played in San Diego.

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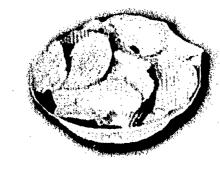
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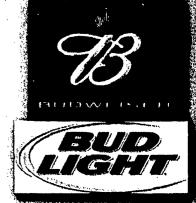
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New stalkers invade campus



The Stroller

Telcome back Northwest! Hope you like construction and traffic jams and the hottest electronics this side of Silicone Valley. Most importantly, here's hoping you like freaky people following you around just trying to be social.

No, I'm not talking about freshmen, they are OK in my book so far. I'm talking about some-

one younger. Younger even than Academy students.

You see, Your Man went back to his roots this weekend. Instead of sitting in my lair, it was time to go for a good stroll. After crossing the new pedestrian bridge, I spotted a group of five people walking towards a residence hall.

My initial thought followed something of this nature: "Wow, five people walking in a group, must be freshmen. Wow, those are short freshmen though, like four feet tall. Yo, dog, isn't this chica out of your league. Whoa, I didn't pick up my textbooks. Wait, focus, those aren't freshmen they are some type of morph."

After following them for a few minutes I realized that my worst fear has been confirmed. Middle

schoolers have infiltrated our campus. Now, I'm all for diversity, but 12-year-olds following a girl around campus, are you kidding me? To make it worse, the stalkers were some of the ones that always ride their skateboards around the library, because you know that is a

skateboard park. I was dumbfounded. These kids decided to follow an extremely dumbfounded girl around begging for her to show her where she lived so they could, "show her how they rapped and made their

At this moment I knew the first article back from my summer break was set.

But just in case you didn't like that idea, I threw a few other ideas around all summer.

Want to hear them? Great.

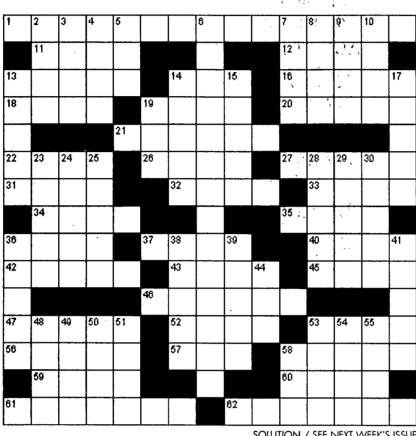
Parking. Your man hates walking and he hates paying \$90 for a parking pass. Please, oh please, build more parking lots near the high rises. It makes about zero sense to let all these new freshmen in only to have no parking spots. Pure genius.

Sequisincentennial-The Hasn't this been going on since like 2003?

Here's an idea, instead of some statue blocking our way across campus why didn't we make the Centennial parking lot which would hold another 100 cars. It surely would have been cheaper.

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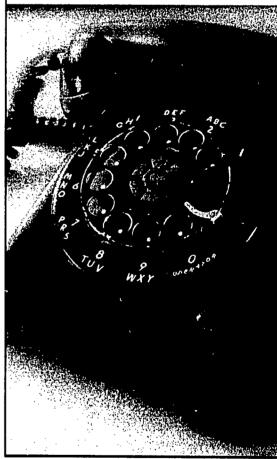
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Position by Position

An in-depth look at each spot on the Northwest roster

By Terome Boettcher Staff Writer

The Northwest football team is feeling the pressure.

They know that this could be the year. But before they can start thinking about Alabama and the national championship they have to get through the regular season.

Quarterbacks:

Josh Lamberson is back. In his first game back from last year's season ending hip injury the captain completed 26 out of 40 passes for 270 yards and two touchdowns. But Lamberson seemed a little nervous. He hesitated to scramble and some of his passes were off early on.

"He certainly didn't perform badly at all, he really performed pretty well," Mel Tjeerdsma said. "When you consider the level that he wants to play at, he was disappointed with that. I think he'll relax and be a lot different player this week and each week as the season goes on."

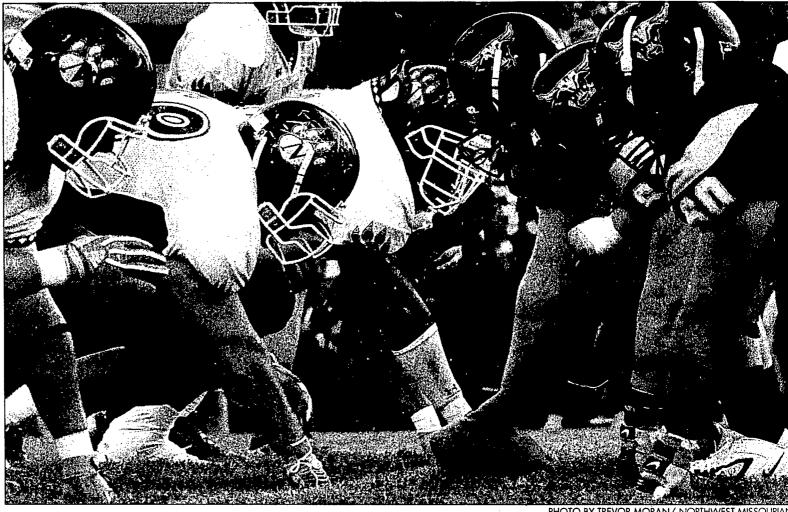
Lamberson completed 121 of 168 passes for over 1,700 yards and 19 touchdowns in just eight games last year.

If Lamberson does go down, sophomore Josh Mathews steps up. It would be nothing new for him as he went in for Lamberson last year after he got hurt and played in 10 games.

Running backs:

Xavier Omon returns after a freshman season in which he rushed for 1,642 yards and 19 touchdowns. Omon will try to repeat that type of performance despite a tiresome first game.

"I figure if I work harder in practice and kind of just relax before the game, I'll be fine,"



THE ANCHOR TENANTS of the defensive line prepare for a snap against Minnesota-Mankato last Thursday. From left, Dave Tollefson, Kyle Kaiser and Steve Williams get in their stances. Williams has been selected to a host of Preseason All-American teams as a top defensive linemen.

Omon said.

Zach Sherman backs him up while Daren Roberts and Mitch Herring will rush as fullbacks.

Wide receivers/tight ends:

Despite losing Jamaica Rector and Morris White, the receiving corps bring back senior captain Andre Rector and sophomore E.J. Falkner. Rector caught nine passes for 107 yards and a touchdown while Falkner scored two touchdowns in the season opener. Falkner injured his hip in the first game but is expected to play. Jared Meyerkorth and Kendall Wright round out the wide receiving

unit. Jon Goss and Trey Simeone will both hold down the tight end position.

Offensive line:

The offensive line is a big reason for the running game's success last year. Center Jordan Wilcox, a captain, leads the line, while Keith Holden and Eric Hoyt play the guard spots. Juniors Cody Campbell and Joe Holtzclaw hold down the tackle spots.

Special teams:

The unit lost kicker Luis Berlanga, punter Joel Matthews, long snapper Eric Goudge and returner Jamaica Rector. So, the Bearcats must bring in new faces to replace them. Andre Rector will handle most of the returns, Gabe Lickteig will punt, true freshman Tommy Frevert will be the place kicker and Kurt Bertels will long snap.

"It just takes time, it's an experience thing," Tjeerdsma said. "You can't create experience. You just have to keep going as you go you will get better and get confident."

Defensive line:

2004 All-MAA first team tackle Steve Williams leads a defensive line that only allowed 85 rushing yards per game last year. He is joined by left end Ryan Waters, nose guard Kyle Kaiser and right end, and senior captain, Dave

"I don't want to sound arrogant, but I really think we have a real good defense, a good D-Line, I think we play dominant, fundamentally sound and don't make too many mental errors we can do real well against them," Wil-

Linebackers:

All three linebackers have been replaced from last year. Adam Long the 2004 defensive MVP in the MIAA, along with Troy Tysdahl and Chad Botswick, graduated. Replacing them are Ben Harness, Heath Finch and Jared Erspamer.

"When you really stop and think about it that was our most inexperienced group other than our kicking game," Tjeerdsma

Secondary:

Another questionable area coming into the season was the secondary. Kelly Williams and Pat Whitt return as strong and free safeties, respectively, but both cornerbacks are new. Brandon Clayton covers the right side while transfer Quinten Womack plays on the left side.

"Do I feel like there is any pressure on us? Yea, we were probably the worst secondary in the MIAA last year and people said if the secondary would have did their od we prodably would have won the national championship last year," Clayton said. "And there is year," Clayton said. "And there is a lot of pressure if we do our job this year we could go all the way. If we take care of business we should be good team wise, a lot of pres-

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MAKING HIS MOVE Xavier Omon tries to elude a pair of Minnesota-Mankato defenders Thursday night. Omon

High expectations abound

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

Xavier Omon doesn't know why he felt so sluggish during Thursday night's game against Minnesota State-Mankato.

to put it behind him and try not to do it again.

"The holes were there, I wasn't reading it well. I wasn't hitting it hard," Omon said. "I think I was trying to do too much, trying too much to make too big of a big play. I don't want to say I was trying to make a highlight play and show off or nothing. I think I was trying to do too much, I just need to take what I have there."

The pressure to perform well for Omon might be bigger than last year. The sophomore running back from Beatrice, Neb., exploded out of the gate last season for 1,642 rushing yards and 19

touchdowns. Omon tries not to focus on the expectations that others might have for him statistically. He said he feels like he has to just get back into that routine.

"I think it was just something All he knows is that he has I had to get back into. I don't want to say scared, you just get that nervous feeling and everything starts going, I don't know, I guess I just ran out of breath thinking about too much stuff," Omon said.

Omon rushed for 96 yards on 27 carries averaging 3.6 yards per carry, three yards less than last season.

"I was proud of him, I thought he got better as the game went on ... I think there was some anxiety, first game, probably pushing a little too hard and things don't quite break the way you want them to and you push a little harder yet," Coach Mel Tjeerdsma

Tjeerdsma said that he plans to use all his weapons on offense and that it's not just one person carrying the load.

"He might individually put some pressure on himself, but we're certainally looking to be a balanced football team," Tjeerdsma said. "We've got a lot of different weapons offensively and we will use all those."

But with the season Omon had last year there may be that pressure to live up to that 1,600 yard billing. He says he's not worried about the statistics at all, he wants something bigger than that.

"Like at Mankato I don't know, how many yards I had but we won the game and that's all that matters," Omon said. "I don't care how many yards I have as long as we are holding up the championship at the end of the season, that's fine with

The Depth Chart I Who's playing where

Injuries happen all of the time, but who steps in when the starter goes down? Here's a depth chart of who comes in when the first teamer goes down... or gets tired.

Listed are names, year in school, position, height and weight. All positions are set for the Nebraska-Omaha game, but could change at any time.

Offens	9			
QB	10 Josh Lamberson	Sr.	6-1	205
	17Josh Mathews	So.	6-3	205
A-Back	33 Xavier Omon	So.	6-1	210
	41Zach Sherman	Jr.	5-8	200
B-Back		Sr.	6-0	245
	39 Mitch Herring	Sr.	5-9	215
Receive	er 5 Andre Rector	Sr.	5-11	190
	8 E.J. Falkner	So.	6-0	180
Receive	er 9 Jared Meyerkorth	<u>J</u> r	6-0	190
	4 Kendall Wright	FrRS	5-11	170
TE	86 Jon Goss	So.	6-5	250
	85Trey Simeone	FrRS	6-3	250
LT	72 Cody Campbell	Jr.	. 6-4	295
1.0	76 Drew Butler	FrRS	6-6	285
LG	73 Keith Holden	Sr.	6-2	300
С	69 Reid Kirby	So. Sr.	6-4 6-2	290 285
C	53 Jordan Wilcox 79 Gabe Frank	Jr.	6-3	295
RG	64 Eric Hoyt	Sr.	6-3	285
NG.	52 Joah Beagley	Jr.	6-2	295
RT	74 Joe Holtzclaw	Jr.	6-1	300
111	75 Tom Pestock	So.	6-6	300
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LE	94 Ryan Waters	Jr.	6-3	250
	99 Ramsey Atieh	FrRS	6-2	245
LT	98 Steve Williams	Sr.	6-3	300
	54 Luke Mroz	FrRS	6-2	285
Nose	58 Kyle Kaiser	Jr.	6-0	285
	61 Michael Conley	Jr.	6-0	290
RE	90 Dave Tollefson	Sr.	6-4	270
	95 Brett Harding	FrRS	6-4	240
OLB	31 Ben Harness	Jr.	6-1	220
	20 Tommy Miller	Jr.	6-1	225
MLB	47 Heath Finch	Sr.	6-3	245
	46 Jared Erspamer	So.	6-0	230
OLB	46 Jared Erspamer	So.	6-0	230
	45 Dustin Conard	So.	6-1	220
LC	1 Quinten Womack	Jr.	6-1	190
	3 Darcell Clark	Jr.	6-0	180
SS	32 Kelly Williams	Sr.	6-1	200
FC	11 Chris Termini	So.	5-9	205
FS	2 Pat Whitt 13 Tyler Martin	So. Jr.	6-0 6-1	195 195
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By Cole Young Staff Writer

A year ago the Northwest volleyball team was a squad full of fresh faces and inexperience.

Now a year later, a core of four sophomores help guide the group into their 2005 campaign.

The Bearcats finished the 2004 season with the most victories in four seasons at 15-18 overall and 6-10 in league play.

The group of sophomores made up of MIAA Freshman of the Year Lauren Cummings, Katie Stilwell, Rachel Spensley and Nicole Wotjowicz, have an MIAA title on their mind.

"Obviously we want to win the national championship," Stilwell said. "But right now we are really focused on winning the conference championship."

The added experience of the squad was evident in their first weekend of play. They made it through the first weekend with a 3-1 record.

"We already are playing well," Cummings said. "We dropped one game but honestly we should have even won that game. I think if we played

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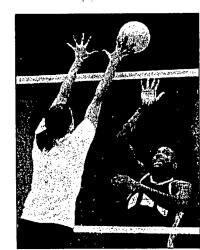


PHOTO BY MIKE DYE/ NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

LAUREN CUMMINGS works on blocking during practice Tuesday afternoon in Bearcat Arena. Northwest picked up wins this weekend at Missouri Southern.

Augustana later in the season we would win that game."

The 'Cats only seniors this season are outside hitters Mandy Tryon and Allison Hyland.

"Mandy and Sarah Trowbridge bring a lot of experience to the team which is nice to have on the court," Cummings

The 'Cats open up the home portion of the season against Emporia State at 7 p.m. Sept.

Goal-minded team kicks off

By Andy Timko Staff Writer

The Bearcat womens' soccer team is ready to kickoff the 2005 season with 11 letterwinners looking to improve on last year's record.

After a 4-16 season last year, the 'Cats are ready to get back on the pitch. With the help of 10 newcomers head coach Tracy Cross believes a good season is in store.

"This is our first time actually seeing a team that matches each others strengths on the field," Cross said. "The relationship between each (position) line is by far the best I've had since coming here. I feel we have players on the field that complement each other very well."

The team has set four goals for the season: win more on the road, win more at home, allow fewer goals and score more goals.

According to Cross, the motivation for the fall started in the spring with building leadership and confidence amongst the returning players.

Returning starters, senior Katie Flower along with juniors Jamie Campbell, Beth Gutschenritter and



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GOING THROUGH DRILLS, Sarah Hobson and Jamie Campbell work on their footwork Tuesday afternoon. The team faces Missouri-Rolla Saturday Bearcat Pitch.

Alison Sheridan will be working with the newcomers to meet their goals throughout the season.

The addition of transfer Kayla Griffin gives the team another dimension and has helped lift the team during the preseason.

"Kayla from the first day has made an impact on our team," Cross said. "She makes the players around her look good. She's a great leader on the field and she has raised the intensity of practices on the field."

NW | Volleyball

Sept. 7 7 p.m. Florida Southern Lakeland, Fla. Sept. 9 7 p.m. Saint Leo @ St. Leo, Fla. Sept. 10 4 p.m. Tampa @ Tampa, Fla. Sept. 14 7 p.m. Emporia State @ Home Sept. 16 7 p.m. Washburn @ Topeka, Kan. Sept. 17 12 p.m. CMSU @ Warrensburg Sept. 21 7 p.m. Missouri Western @ Home Sept. 24 4 p.m. Truman State @ Kirksville Sept. 26 7:30 p.m. Upper Iowa @ Boone, Iowa Sept. 28 6 p.m. Pittsburg State Pittsburg, Kan. Sept. 30 Southwest Baptist @ Home

Oct. 1 1 p.m. Missouri Southern @ Home Oct. 4 7 p.m. Nebraska-Omaha @ Home Oct. 12 7 p.m. Emporia State 7 p.m. Oct. 14 Washburn @ Home Oct. 15 12 p.m. CMSU @ Home Oct. 19 7 p.m. MoWest @ St. Joseph Oct. 22 5 p.m. Truman State @ Home Oct. 26 6 p.m. Pittsburg State @ Home Oct. 28 7 p.m. Southwest Baptist @ Bolivar Oct. 29 12 p.m. Missouri Southern @ Joplin Nov. 1 South Dakota @ Vermillion

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'Hounds, quarterback look to silence critics

Squad loses 18 seniors, hope to live up to legacy

By Brendan Kelley Staff Writer

Last year the Maryville Spoofhounds made a run at greatness. Armed with weapons such as Josh Wilmes, Syd Brisbane and Keith Starr the 'Hounds advanced through the state playoffs and it appeared as though their road led straight to St. Louis, but they hit a dead end in Harrisonville.

This year the 'Hounds find themselves with a number of question marks. They will have to answer those questions while facing a tough schedule sprinkled with state ranked opponents; all the while adjusting to losing 18 seniors who contributed largely a year ago.

Perhaps the biggest question of all is who would start at quarterback for the 'Hounds this season. Both Kevin Schluter and Morgan Grudzinski have been taking snaps at practice and getting acquainted with the offense.

"Both kids will play, but Kevin is going to be our starter," coach Paul Miller said. "Morgan has worked so hard and done everything I have asked of him and he will get some playing time at quarterback as well as being the starting corner and playing some wide receiver."

Schluter had never taken a snap prior to this season, but he is confident and ready to prove what he and this year's squad can do.

"I can't try to fill the guy's shoes in front of me, there's never going to be another Josh Wilmes," Schluter said. "I just have to run the offense and let the team work for me."

Last year's squad leaves a legacy behind that will not be easy to live up to, but this year's team has the advantage of being more prepared.

"Last year we had a group of kids that many of them had played and had experience," Miller said. "Since I came in late

last year we didn't have a third of what we have right now. We went into our first game against Cameron last year with a half a dozen plays and formations."

There should also be a drastic change in the 'Hounds kicking game this year. Last year's team struggled with the kicking game and special teams. On many occasions Maryville opted to attempt the two point conversion rather than kick the extra point.

"We're a whole lot better in the kicking department this year," Miller said. "We have three PAT kickers that I feel comfortable with."

The strength this year for the 'Hounds should be the guys leading the way up front. Coach Miller will have six seniors anchoring the offensive line.

"Our linemen are coming together really well," senior Ben Mckim said. "Our line will be our strength at least for the first half, because they're still young in the backfield."

On the defensive side of the ball the 'Hounds appear to be sound with some senior leadership on the line.

"We have one of the best defensive coordinators in the state," Miller said. "Maryville is known for its tough defense and I expect nothing less than the established norm here in Maryville for tough defense."

With no easy game on the schedule the 'Hounds will not have an opportunity to sit back and relax or take anything for granted.

"Our first four opponents will probably be ranked in the state just like they were last year," Miller said. "And we'll probably have three other teams that will be on our schedule that will be state ranked after that."

With a good number of first time starters, a new quarterback and a young backfield the 'Hounds will be looking to improve throughout the season and hopefully hit their high point when it matters most.

"Right now we just have to let our kids go out and be the athletes that they are," Miller said. "We should be at our best towards the end of the season going into districts."



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SENIOR FULLBACK CODY Gillenwater attempts to break loose from the pack during Maryville's annual "Meet the 'Hounds' Night Friday.

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Cameron HS @ Home
Sept. 9. 7 p.m.
Chillicothe HS – Away
Sept. 16 TBA
Open Date @ Home
Sept. 23 7 p.m.
California HS – Away
Sept. 30 7 p.m.
Harrisonville @ Home

Oct. 7 7 p.m.
Lafayette HS – Away
Oct. 14 7 p.m.
Benton HS – Away
Oct. 21 7 p.m.
Smithville HS @ Home
Oct. 28 7 p.m.
Platte County HS – Away
Nov. 3 TBA
Senior Night @ Home

Nov. 3 7 p.m.
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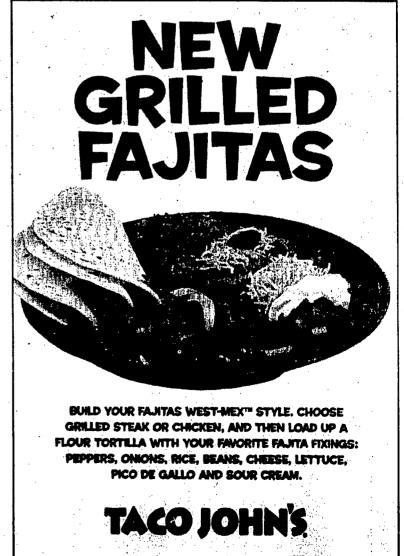
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Expectations high for softball squad

By Dennis Sharkey Staff Writer

Maryville girls' softball coach Kathy Blackney does not hide the fact that last year's record proved one of the worst in her six years heading the pro-

But the Spoofhounds started this season where they left off last year—with a strong finish.

"We were third in conference last year and won districts with the worse record we ever had," Blackney said. "We're hoping they can come back and start the way they finished. Our goal is to win conference."

The 'Hounds are off to a good start. With Tuesday night's win over conference foe Cameron, they moved to 3-0 overall and

1-0 in conference.

A key to Tuesday night's win was the 'Hounds ability to take advantage of mistakes made by Cameron and take extra bases on overthrown balls and wild

Sophomore shortstop Jordan Gadbois said the team is more aware on the base paths this

"The key to this year is we're watching the ball a lot more than in the past," Gadbois said. "That is helping us out a lot."

Blackney said the team's attitude has helped them capitalize on other team's mistakes.

"We like to be aggressive," Blackney said. "We don't have a lot of speed, but we have some, so we try to take advantage of

This year's squad has only one senior, second base starter Dana DeMott. The Spoofhounds lost six seniors from last year's team, three of whom were starters, as well as the team's number one pitcher.

Blackney credits good pitching for the team's fast start, but also sees areas for improvement.

"Our pitching needs to stay strong and we need to keep getting key hits," Blackney said. "But we do need to shore up our defense, especially against good teams."

Blackney believes that if the team's attitude stays on track they will do well.

"They work hard and they want to win," Blackney said.

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- 2. McCluer North (3) 42
- 3. Park Hill 25
- 4. Webster Groves 19 5. Kickapoo 7

- 1. Camdenton (5) 78
- 4. Benton (1) 62
- 5. Duchesne 56

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- 3. Lutheran North (1) 81
- 4. Harrisonville 41 5. John Burroughs 39
- 6. Ste. Genevieve 37
- 7. KC St. Pius X 35
- 8. (tie) Cassville 31
- 8. (tie) Salem 31 10. Odessa 25

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- 1. Blair Oaks (9) 99
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1. Greenfield (6) 92 2. Salisbury 61

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Intensity stressed for team

Clarinda Tuesday night. The Spoofhounds won the match in three sets.

By Andy Timko Staff Writer

With a new coach for the 2005 season the Spoofhound volleyball team is looking to make a run for the state championship.

Former Northwest volleyball player Steph Suntken is leading a 'Hounds team full of seniors hoping to make their last season the best one yet.

"Every girl on our team is talented," Suntken said. "I wish I could play them all every night. I'm seeing as a coach that it's hard to choose who should start every night because they are all so

With nine of the 11 players being seniors, experience is not problem. Communication and intensity, however, will be a determining factor on how the season progresses, Suntken

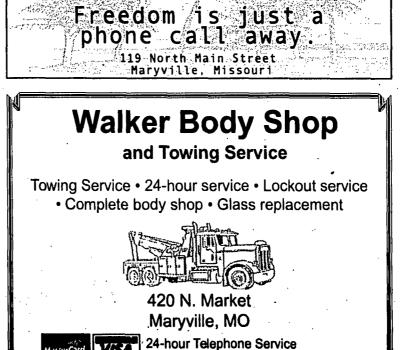
"I challenge them every time on the court," she said. "I always tell them the aggressiveness is the most important thing."

Senior Kim Wolfer will be working with the other returning players to provide leadership and strong communication on the court throughout the season.

"Kim brings intensity not only to the games, but to every practice as well," Suntken said. "If we keep the intensity up and keep talking, I think we'll have a good season."







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MHS	1	Tennis	Schedule

Sept. 1	4 p.m.	Lafayette	Home
Sept. 6	5 p.m.	Savannah	Home
Sept. 8	4 p.m.	LeBlond I	, Home
Sept. 12	4 p.m.	Benton	Home
Sept. 15	4 p.m.	Lafayette	Away
Sept. 17	9 a.m.	Kearney Quad.	Away
Sept. 20	4 p.m.	Savannah	Away
Sept. 22	4 p.m.	Cameron	Home
Sept. 26	4 p.m.	LeBlond	Away
Sept. 27	5 p.m.	Chillicothe	Away
Sept. 30	9 a.m.	Benton/Savannah	Away
Oct. 4	4 p.m.	Benton	Away
Oct. 5	8:30 a.r	n.MEC at Noyes	Away
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Oct. 15	TBA	Sectionals	TBA

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Lafayette Away
Sept. 3 9 a.m.
Auburn Nebraska Tournament
Away

Sept. 6 4:30 p.m. Savannah Away Sept. 8 4:30 p.m. Benton Home Sept. 13 4:30 p.m. Chillicothe Home Sept. 15 4:30 p.m. Smithville Away Sept. 19 5 p.m. Jefferson Away 4:30 p.m. Sept. 20 Away Platte County Sept. 22 4:30 p.m. Away Benton 4:30 p.m. Sept. 26 Home Lafayette Sept. 29 TBA Senior Night Home Sept. 29 5 p.m. North Platte Home Oct. 6 and 7 **Districts** Oct. 12 Sectionals Quarterfinals Oct. 15 Oct. 21 and 22 State

MHS I Volleyball Schedule

Sept. 6 5 p.m. Tarkio @ Home Sept. 8 5 p.m. Platte County Away Sept. 10 TBA Winnetonka Tourney - Away Sept. 13 5 p.m. Benton - Away Sept. 15 5 p.m. Lafayette - Away Sept. 20 5 p.m. Chillicothe - Away Sept. 22 5 p.m. Cameron @ Home Sept. 27 5 p.m. Lafayette @ Home Sept. 29 5 p.m. Savannah - Away Oct. 3 5 p.m. Rock Port @ Home Oct. 6 5 p.m. Benton @ Home Oct. 8 8 a.m. Maryville Invitational Oct. 10 5 p.m. Savannah @ Home Oct. 13 5 p.m. Chillicothe @ Home Oct. 17 5 p.m. Oct. 18: TBA Senior Night @ Home Oct. 18 5 p.m. Smithville @ Home Oct. 24 TBA **Districts** Oct. 29 TBA Sectionals Nov. 4 TBA State

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Road Trip Time Don't think football is limited to Maryville on Friday nights. Teams like West Nodaway and South Nodaway help bring an exciting brand of football not found in Kansas City, Omaha or even Albany. Eight-man football has been referred to as basketball on grass and at times, and rightly so. A Kansas playoff game ended last year with a score of 86-66.

Nodaway County

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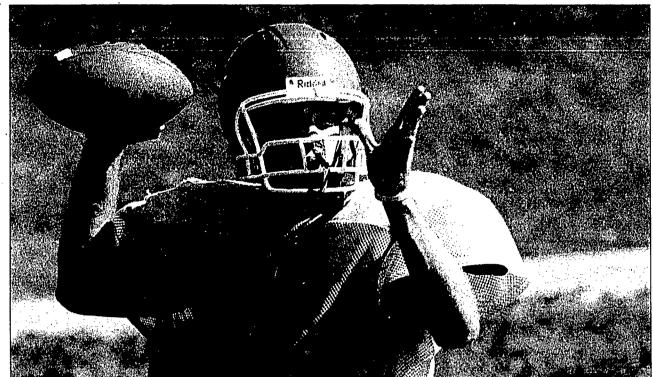
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QUARTERBACK JACE RANDLE looks for a receiver Tuesday afternoon at practice in Hopkins, Mo. The Mustangs open up the season Friday at Craig. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

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County schools offer different brand of pigskin

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

On most Friday nights in Nodaway County, fans can be found packing the 'Hound Pound for Maryville High School football.

But down the road a bit, the lesser known football teams take the field.

Eight-man football brightens Hopkins, Graham, Barnard, Burlington Junction and other communities on Friday nights.

Though it might not get as much attention as regular 11man football, the games are still competitive despite the smaller teams and fan turnout.

"It is extremely tough, there

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ence," North Nodaway Coach leff Blackford said.

Blackford's team went 8-2 last year but fell in districts to Stanberry, who eventually won districts and made it to the state semifinals.

There are four Nodaway County high schools, excluding Maryville, that offer football. They are North Nodaway, South Nodaway, West Nodaway and Nodaway-Holt. South Nodaway is a member of the Platte Valley Conference. The rest are members of the Highway 275 Conference.

North Nodaway returns with the best record out of the four schools from last year. But the Mustangs lost a total of nine players, six of whom were is a lot of parity in our confer-seniors. Blackford, in his second

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year at the helm, is a little concerned.

"I have a huge question mark, I don't know if it will be good or bad," Blackford said.

The Mustangs have also run into a couple injuries this year that have already put them behind. One player was involved in a fourwheeler accident and another was hurt while water tubing.

Matt Messick is one of those coaches chasing teams like North Nodaway. West Nodaway is coming off a 2-8 season but Messick, in his first year, sees opportunity.

'I was the assistant last year and I knew we had loads and loads of talent," Messick said.

The Rockets return seven of eight players to offense. Mes-

North Nodaway

Coach: Jeff Blackford (2nd year) Last year's record: 8-2

Key Returners: quarterback Jace Randle, running back Doug McKee, linebacker Quent Blackford and lineman Andrew Wermelskirchen.

South Nodaway

Coach: Rick Calloway Last year's record: 4-5 Tough opponents: Mound City and North Nodaway.

sick believes that the team's combination of quarterback Jesse

'We are extremely optimistic, we don't have that many limitations," Messick said.

Nodaway round out the county as they come off 4-5 and 3-7

"With a little bit of luck we could go far," Nodaway-Holt

grabs and usually any team from the 275 Conference has a good chance of winning state. Since 1988, except for three times, schools in the 275 Conference

Nodaway-Holt

Coach: Bob Svoboda Last year's record: 3-7

Key Returners: wideout B.J. McGary, linebacker Derek Derr, quarterback Russel Miller and running back Nate Jeter.

West Nodaway

Coach: Matt Messick (first year) Last year's record: 2-8 Key Returners: quarterback Jesse Davison, running back Chris Chipwood and fullback Bryant

Davidson, running back Chris Chipwood and fullback Bryant Major could be powerful.

Nodaway-Holt and South records, respectively.

coach Bob Svoboda said.

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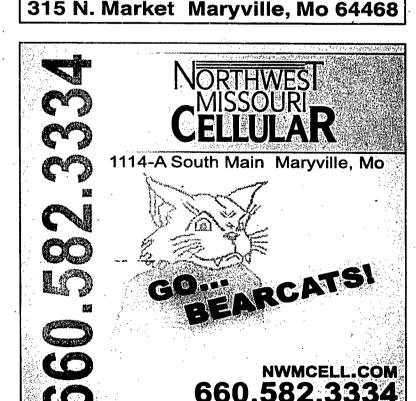
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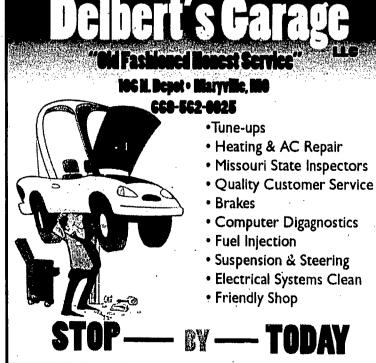
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CONVERGING CAMPUS & COMMUNITY

Grocer begins work at new site

By Ben Koehn Staff Writer

As Northwest students return to Maryville for the new school year they pass both familiar sites—such as Applebee's and La Bonita's—and new sites, like a large dirt filled basin next to Hy-Vee where a new and improved Hy-Vee will take its place.

Since starting work on the site Aug. 8, the construction of a new 55,000-square foot Hy-Vee has progressed steadily with two-thirds of the new building to be hopefully opened to the public by sometime this spring, according to Project Superintendent Jeff Slycore.

Slycore oversees the project from his office in a white trailer marked "Hy-Vee Weitz" in the parking lot of the current Hy-Vee. He said that construction is moving right along.

He hopes that in the spring the first two-thirds of the store will be completed so that the old Hy-Vee can move in and start conducting business. The remaining one-third of the building, which includes the pharmacy and the new location for the liquor store, will be completed last.

Alex Glenn, D.J. Christie director of development, the development contractor for the project, says that the completion of the project is still at least 15 months away.

"It takes a long time because Hy-Vee has to remain open during construction," Glenn

Unrein also said D.J. Christie and Hy-Vee have been very good at communicating and keeping the city up to date on the progress of the project which, at it's current pace, could face completion by early 2007.

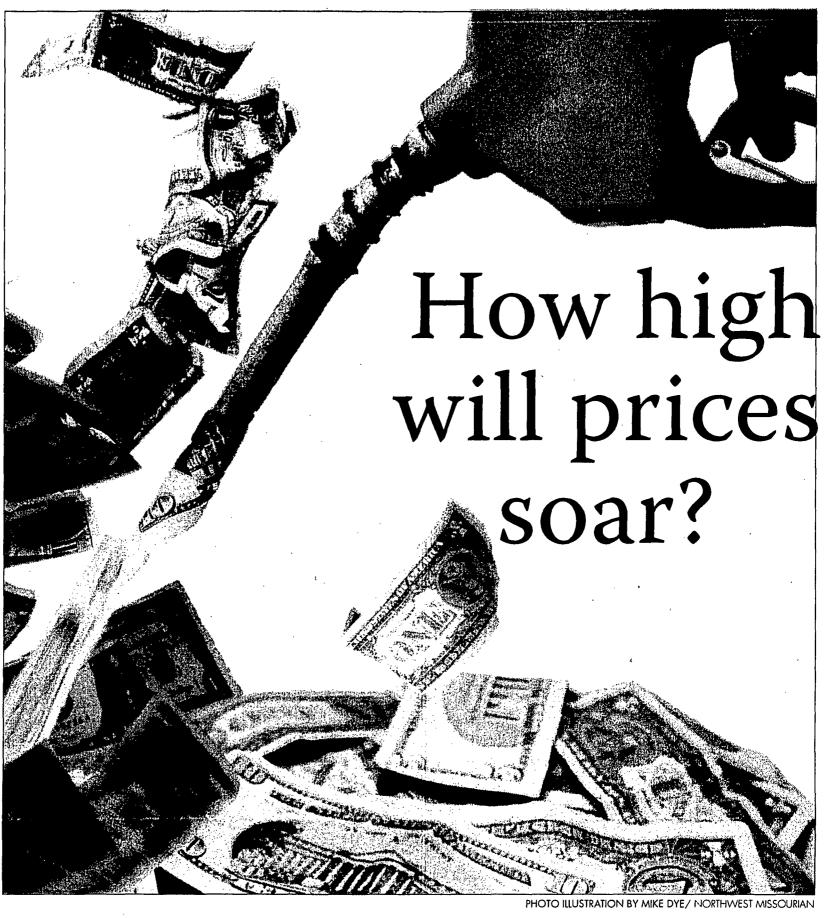
Male sought in assault case

A female student was assaulted 10 p.m., Aug. 30, on Northwest's campus in the area between the Union parking lot and B.D. Owens Library.

Onlookers described the assailant as a dark-skinned male, approximately 6 feet tall. He was wearing a black head covering, a white Sean Johnbrand T-shirt and black, baggy

Campus Safety Director Clarence Green said an investigation is currently underway and urges anyone having information regarding the incident to contact him at 562-1254.

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Gas Prices take nationwide hike Wednesday; Oil \$69 a barrel

By Brad Foss AP Business Writer

🕇 asoline prices leaped nationwide Wednesday as key refineries and pipelines remained crippled by Hurricane Katrina, crimping supplies and leading to caps on the amount of fuel delivered to retailers.

To boost supplies, the U.S. government said it would loan oil to refiners facing shortfalls and relax environmental restrictions on the type of gasoline sold during summer. Crude futures prices fell but remained close to \$69 a barrel.

Just how bad the situation becomes for motorists, who are facing pump prices in excess of \$3 a gallon in a growing number of markets, depends on how quickly electricity can be restored to Gulf Coast pipelines and refineries, analysts said. Flooding may have left some important refinery equipment submerged and

it will be days before a full damage assessment is completed, industry officials and analysts

Some rays of hope emerged Wednesday. The Colonial Pipeline Co. said it would restore partial service with help from diesel generators that will allow it to begin shipping gasoline,

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Cost of filling up

The national average price of regular gasoline is 41 percent

higher than a year ago. Gasoline price per gallon

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Local residents, businesses start to feel pressure

By Dennis Sharkey Staff Writer

Thile many residents in the southern United States search for sanitary water and safe food, the rest of the country feels the devastation of Hurricane

Reports say 95 percent of oil production in the Gulf Coast region remain inoperable. The mass evacuation of New Orleans has left the region with fuel shortages. These shortages have a trickle down affect on the rest of the country's fuel supplies.

In addition to individual consumers, local businesses have been hit especially hard.

Businesses depending on fuel usage daily have had to pass the extra cost on to customers, or stand to lose money themselves. Pizza Hut has not yet raised the compensation it pays its drivers for delivery, but driver Cody Piveral said he has been told the company is considering increasing the fee soon. Piveral said he

still can see the difference on the meter at the gas station. 'Yes, I've definitely noticed it," Piveral said. "It's \$35 now (to fill up) instead of \$20 like it used to be."

Some Maryville businesses, however, are keeping prices as low as they can, even if it means sacrificing profits.

Finish Line Convenience Stores is one company trying to keep prices down. Manager Cherly Buholt said if the company had remained part of Phillps 66 the store would not be able to

"People complain all the time but I have no control over it," > Buholt said. "I'm selling gas at below cost right now."

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Freshmen enrollment hits decade high

By Ashley Bally Staff Writer

Northwest's enrollment for first-time freshman students is the highest its been in more than

In 1994 Northwest set the precedent at 1,299 students. Currently, freshman enrollment

is reported at 1,300 students. Since 1994 freshman enrollment has been declining, reaching its lowest in 1998 at 1,114

students. According to Dean of Enroll-

ment Beverly Schenkel, the University is working on several projects to attract new students. Recruitment teams serve as the backbone of attracting new students.

"This is our first class of students that we recruited and communicated with since they were sophomores in high school," Schenkel said. "Prior to this we only began working with them late in their junior year."

Moreover, the American Dream Grant, which attracts students who would otherwise

be unable to afford attending a four-year institution, is presently offered to 222 students

Residence halls such as the Tower Suites and Forest Village Apartments also enticed the incoming class.

"The construction and facil-. ity upgrades that we have had take place on campus have had a very positive image for the

University," Schenkel said. "So, as we look to the fall of

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MORE FRESHMEN? WHAT INCREASE MEANS

With 1300 new freshmen on campus this year, several issues have arisen.

Dorms. With the demolition of Hudson and Perrin, some freshmen now live in North Complex instead of the High

Parking, Plan ahead. If parking is the plan on the

west side of campus give yourself plenty of time to get a parking spot. Lots even behind the baseball field are full on a regular basis.

American Dream: With the addition of the American Dream grant, 222 students are on campus that possibly would not have been here without this chance.



ADP

Come Home to Alpha Delta Pi

Alpha Delta Pi, the new sorority at Northwest, is recruiting women the week of September 18 to become founding members of our sorority. We will hold a separate recruitment following the Panhellenic recruitment period. We're seeking women of all ages—freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior—to join our sisterhood.

If you're looking for a 'home away from home' at Northwest, we hope you'll join us for our events.

Sunday, Sept. 18 3:00 The Station Informational Session and Reception for Interested Women*

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Tuesday, Sept. 20 Roberta Hall Philanthropy Event

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For more information, look for our table in Jones Student Union the weeks of September 12 and September 19, or email ADPiNorthwest@aol.com.





GALs desire to bring faith to others

By Ben Koehn **Staff Writer**

Every year, hundreds of college students come to Northwest where they will either find themselves or get lost in the crowd. Now one sorority hopes to find the lost.

"It's not about the organization," said Gamma Alpha Lambda president Kelsie Giambalvo. "It's about these girls' hearts."

Gamma Alpha Lambda, or GAL, is the new sorority at Northwest. Initiated last spring, it currently has more than 50 members at Northwest with the current officers of GAL anxious to see what this semester's rush week brings them.

GAL is a mondenominational Christian sorority, but according to Vice President of Public Relations officer Jackie Swanson, you don't have to be a hardcore Christian to be in GAL

"We are looking for women who have a desire to get closer to God or to even learn about God if you don't know anything about him yet," Swanson said.

The women of GAL also make it clear that GAL is not Pan-Hellenic, meaning that women from other sororities are also welcome to join GAL.

GAL first came to Northwest after Kelsie Giambalvo learned of GAL from a member of her bible study group in Lee's Summit, Mo., who attended college at Missouri State University in Springfield, Mo., and had been a member of GAL.

The appeal of GAL immediately struck Giambalvo. GAL, Giambalvo thought, could be a tool for Christian women at Northwest to unite and keep each other accountable.

"It's so easy coming into college to fall through the cracks, to just feel lost out there," says Giambalvo.

GAL wishes to unite women fon campus by Katie Kindler. "You can be helping them get involved in bible studies, find accountability partners and to find a place they belong.

o recruit members to be of the campus ministries, initiated into the sorority and to become official members of the sisterhood, most events will be open to all students, not just GAL

Vice President of Rush Chanda Hisel says that while sisterhood accountability are a huge

part of GAL's purpose, outreach and evangelism cannot be overlooked.

"One of our big goals is to bring in people who are non-Christian and to invite them to our social events," Hisel said. "The image that we had is that we'd be girls united, holding hands in a circle, facing outward towards other people."

Initially, there was some concern by many women on campus about whether or not GAL was going to take over their lives turning them into their greatest fear: a stereotypical, cliquey sorority.

"It's not like it's going to be a huge time requirement for the girls if they don't want it to be," said Vice President of Membership as little or as much involved as you want."

The officers of GAL also heavily stress that it is And while GAL wants not intended to replace any but to compliment them. Instead it is to be used as a supplement for young Christian women who wish to be united with others. Swanson said that GAL goes to delicate measures to make sure that GAL meetings and events do not conflict with the meetings and events of

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The only requirements for being a member of GAL is that a student has at least a 2.0 grade point average, attends one of Northwest's many campus ministries, participates in a GAL or non-GAL sponsored bible study and wishes to grow in their faith.

Once a student becomes a member they are also required to do service projects and attend social outreach events, but Kindler reassures any interested women those events will not dominate lives already flooded with schoolwork.

And while there are codes of conduct, the codes are biblically based, and according to Hisel, members shouldn't worry about being shunned, fined or kicked out.

"I just feel like we're a really accepting group of women that aren't going to condemn them for things in their past or things that they do wrong," Hisel said. "We're just there to help build each other up and that's what we're all about is building each other up and reaching out to other people." For more information

on GAL, send e-mails to GAL@nwmissouri.edu.

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2007 and new freshman housing opening up I think that will be even more posi-

More students is not always positive. Of the 1,300 new students 1,198 call a Northwest residence hall home. According to Secretary of Residential Life Jenni Murphy, alternative housing measures have been taken. Students are now being housed in Douglas and Roberta which are typically specified for upperclassmen and sorority members. As of last year Roberta Hall, once an all-girl dormitory, was opened to male students to adapt to enrollment changes.

Campus parking has become scarce. According to Director of Campus Safety Clarence Green, around 72 percent of all freshman residents bring their vehicles to campus. Additional parking can be found in the lots across from the Performing Arts Center when spaces are not available. Due to the distance some students have to park from residence halls, Campus Safety officers have escorted several students back to their dormitories at night, Green said.

"Quality pays. We have a high freshman success rate and a high graduation rate," University President Dean Hubbard said. "Quality is in the DNA at Northwest."

CAMPUSBRIEFS

After a year of collaboration, Northwest begins offering classes in Liberty,

According to Steve Fleming, assistant superintendent of human resources, the Liberty School District, is purchasing an office building where they plan to establish several different

The building, located next to Liberty High School, must be remodeled from an office building to accommodate a learning environment. The first two floors of the building are allotted to the Liberty School District while the remaining third and fourth floors are designated for Northwest, according to Superintendent of Schools Scott Taveau.

Liberty High School will offer advanced placement courses for students, in addition to offering a place where teachers across the Kansas City area can conduct their advanced degree

The classes will be taught by professors and through online courses. -Ashley Bally



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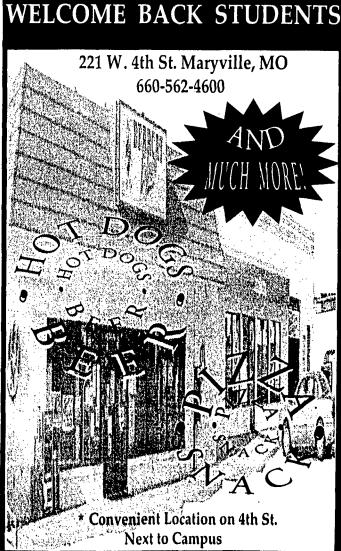
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Drill prepares community

Community members, Northwest students and four freshman seminar classes participated in a bioterrorism drill Aug. 30.

The federal Dept. of Homeland Security distributed money to each state for "regional response planning," to help prepare for

bio-terrorist attacks, natural disasters and epidemics."

State officials chose the Northwest Missouri region as one of two sites for the bioterrorism drill because of the comprehensive preparation already demonstrated. -Kim Brand

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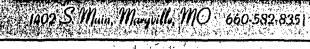
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DeShon faces 42 months

By Cole Young Staff Writer

A former Northwest cross-country coach will spend 42 months in jail after stealing more than \$800,000 from a Missouri school district.

Ronnie Gene DeShon, 51, of Gallatin, Mo., plead guilty to embezzling \$854,699 from the Pattonsburg School District over a four-year period.

DeShon took over as Pattonsburg superintendent in July 2000. He resigned in October, after turning himself in to federal authorities as school board members began growing suspicious.

DeShon told the court he lost the money at dog

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and horse tracks and at sports books in Las Vegas. The hearing drew a crowd of about 30 school district employees, patrons and students wanting to hear the fate of their former leader.

Pattonsburg, a district of 180 students, cancelled school so faculty had the option to attend the proceedings August 24.

"As a professional educator and the chief education leader in the community, DeShon should have made education his top priority," U.S. Attorney Todd Graves said in a news release. "Instead, DeShon took advantage of his position of public trust to victimize the students,

parents and taxpayers of the Pattonsburg School District."

Graves said the district struggled financially during the four years DeShon had district funds deposited into his bank account while claiming it was another account that belonged to the district.

Graves said DeShon altered the district's budget to show they had made \$60,000 in interest.

According to the Assoicated Press, DeShon asks for sympthathy. "I just hope somewhere down the road they'll forgive me," DeShon said. "If they don't, I'll understand. I can't forgive myself."

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

CITYBRIEF

The search for a new Maryville city manager continues through the end of the year as a six-person committee combs through resumes submitted by more than 20 possible appli-

Former city manager Matt Chesnut resigned on July 15 to take a similar job in Florida.

Although the search is in the beginning stages, Mayor Michael Thompson remains confident the city will find a suitable replacement.

"No one person breaks the community," Thompson said. "It's our job to make sure the person we select will keep the vision of this city moving forward."

They expect to begin screening applicants Sept.

Assistant City Manager Matt Unrein, one possible applicant, is currently filling the position.

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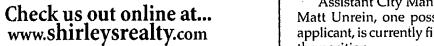
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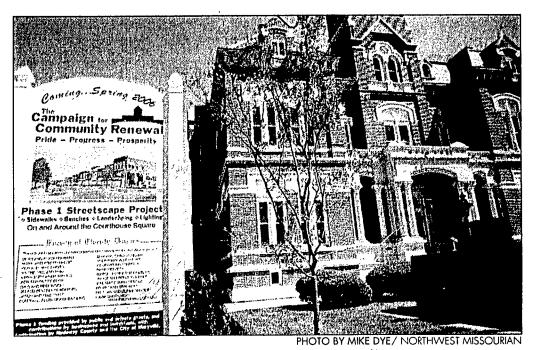
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THE CITY OF MARYVILLE'S downtown renovation is currently in the planning stages with Phase 1 scheduled for completion in the spring of 2006.

New look for downtown, Phase 1 starts in March

By Domnick Hadley Staff Writer

After raising \$1.2 million through grants and private donations, the Campaign for Community Renewal will begin implementation of Phase 1 in March.

The campaign, commissioned by area residents and city officials as part of the downtown revitalization project, has raised \$1.2 million for its four phase renewal plan—only \$300,000 short of its \$1.5 million funding

The project has secured \$350,000 in state tax credits, and future efforts will be geared towards private donations.

The campaign began its effort to revitalize downtown in 2002, in hopes of transforming the area into a viable, produc-

tive business district. Campaign board members spent more than two years canvassing neighboring cities such as Shenandoah, Iowa and Savannah, Mo., that had initiated similar downtown renovation projects before developing their current plan.

Phase 1, currently in the planning stages, will focus primarily on improving and restoring existing infrastructure in downtown Maryvillewith extra emphasis on the Nodaway County Courthouse square.

Plans for Phase 1 include sidewalk improvements near Fourth Street and around the square, crosswalks for pedestrian safety, lamp posts and new lighting, improved landscaping on the square and courthouse lawn and new benches and trash receptacles. There are also plans to erect new signs for the courthouse and install sidewalk plazas throughout downtown.

"We pretty much got enough of everything (to start the project)," Campaign Chairman Mark Gregg said. "At this point, we've got all the standard features and there would be a few more elements, uptown." we want to add; We want: to create an economically viable atmosphere, which will retain and attract shopping dollars from consumers in northwest Missouri and southwestern Iowa."

In addition to basic renewal plan.

infrastructure improvements, a revolving loan fund will be available for downtown business and building owners wanting to make improvements to their store fronts.

The fund will distribute low interest loans for new signs, awnings and other aesthetic improvements.

Kyle Mayes, owner of Cobbler Cottage Shoe Repair, believes the campaign efforts will be beneficial to businesses and downtown as a whole.

Although Mayes will not participate in the available loan fund, he believes the renewal campaign will help return the area into the viable retail hub it once

"I think it's a good thing," Mayes said. "(Downtown) was more of a retail center. It's still vital, but it's different. I think the renewal campaign will make for a more attractive

green Eundraising efforts for the campaign will continue throughout the year until board members reach their \$1.5 million goal.

No dates have been set for the beginning of the other three phases of the





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Faith in God restores hope

Tery few times in my life can I say I have truly experienced revelation, but this summer I was lucky enough to have my faith restored in God.

At the close of last school year I penned an editorial entitled, "Christianity 'should be' more than a label," in which I admitted to being agnostic. In the article, I tried to encourage those



Stephanie Stangl Staff Writer

claimingto be Christian to merely start acting more Christian-like. It seemed simple to

me and although not intended to be offensive, article perceived positively and negatively, but mostly negatively. I received everything from pats on the back to hate mail.

Neither response is what made me

reconsider my stance on God. Allow me to regress. I spent nine weeks this past summer interning at the St. Joseph News-Press. Throughout the internship I had the privilege of covering some very heart-wrenching stories,

including one on Camp Quality, a camp for children with To look into the eyes of survivors and hear them attribute their recovery to God didn't surprise me, though it did knock me over with a swift punch in the gut. All these people believing in something I once denied was

Days after my internship I was seated on a plane to Dallas when my seatmate kindly asked me what my name was, where I was from and my religious beliefs. At first I was shocked; I never had someone I didn't know

enough for me to take a step back and reconsider my

ask me about something so personal. I told her she probably wouldn't be too fond of my response, but I would be honest with her just the same. She proceeded to inform me that faith could be restored and things could change if I accepted God and began living for God. When I disclosed the hurts of my past, she promised God would repay me for the years I lost. When I told her it was all the devastation in my past that made me believe a god couldn't exist to hurt me so badly, she held me as I cried.

She also disclosed that when she was in college she went through many of the same things as I did and she had many of the same hurts. But, it was also in college that she turned her life around and accepted Christ as her Savior.

I then knew I had to find the strength inside myself to do the same because I could feel something missing. I wanted to begin serving God, helping others and learning things like forgiveness along the way.

I used to deny God, for I claimed my logical nature didn't allow me to believe in something I cannot see. At the same time, I cannot see the wind, but I know it's there because of how it startles the leaves upon trees. I cannot see love, but I feel its effect on me from my family and friends.

I may not be able to see God, but through the affect He's had on so many lives, and more recently my own, I now know He's there.

Faith fades in dire circumstances

s my 10-year-old cousin's health slowly faded away in a one and a half year battle against cancer, so did my faith in God.

The last time I saw Andrew as a happy, carefree 9year-old with no worries and no disease was Christmas 2001. We were at my grandmother's in Bloomfield, Neb., celebrating the holiday season Wilson style-way too much food, way too often.

It was only months afterward that the family first caught wind that something was seriously wrong with Andrew. Signs were noticeable, but the pieces never fit together in our minds. Andrew's handwriting began to decline and his entire sense of balance was off. He would fall over or clip his side

on a wall or doorway. It was his teacher, however, who finally said something to Andrew's mother and they took him in to the local doc-

tor to see what was wrong. The blood came back...and things didn't look good.

It wasn't long after that we all heard the verdict-Andrew had a rare brain tumor, and a slim chance of survival.



Riley Huskey Staff Writer

The brain tumor was located on Andrew's brainstem, making it inoperable. If a surgery would be done to take the tumor off and out of Andrew's brainstem, his life would end on the operating table. This is when I began to evaluate my faith in God.

He died two days before Thanksgiving 2002. Before passing away, his favorite song came on television — Rascal Flatts', "These Days."

He opened his eyes for the last time, shed a few tears and passed away.

> In my mind, no child deserves to die. And better yet, no child should have to watch him or herself deteriorate. No child should have to suffer. And no child should ever have

that much pain. My family members and I prayed for Andrew's recovery, and then for his comfort and,

finally, to let him go. Sure, there are unanswered prayers everyday, but that's not what I'm getting at. I hear time and time again from Christians there is a time and place for every human being to enter the afterlife — a set time, at a set place, on a specific day - but I don't believe it.

I'm not going to put Christianity down because, truth be told, if you are a Christian and do live your life for God, that's great. I've always admired people who uphold their religious beliefs and morals — it's the people that call themselves Christians, but don't act like true Christians that upset me. And that goes for any religion — not just Christianity.

It's true, I don't believe in a heaven or hell — at least at this point in my life. I'd like to say my relationship with God and Christianity may someday change again, but I don't foresee that in the near future.

Whenever I'm back in Bloomfield I make a point to go out to Andrew's grave. I sit there in my truck with all of my windows rolled down and my driver's door open, blaring Rascal Flatts, "These Days."

Gas prices raise concern across country

By Rose Afriyie Pittsburgh University

The school year has officially started. While I have been consumed with everyday activities such as apartment chores, picking up my dry cleaning and calling my grandmother, I've also looked into the tedious task of picking out my parents' offering for a graduation gift: a new car and a dog.

The dog was easy: a chocolate brown malte-poodle. The car was a completely different story. While I am really thankful to be looking for this gift, it seems that my friends with cars have halfway convinced me that I shouldn't be. The culprit that has turned them completely against their vehicles — and mine — is the steadily increasing price of gas.

How could gas prices raise an average of 6.2 cents in two weeks? Or rather, what could cause an increase of 73 cents since

It seems that a lot of people are pointing fingers at the individual residing in the White House, the war — which could also be an extension of the former — and certain countries. But I think we all need to consider the complexities of the oil market and what specifically causes the shock and disbelief we experience when we drive by our local stations.

The No. 1 thing that affects gas prices is crude oil inventories. Although the United States is the world's second-largest producer of oil, crude oil inventories affect us because we are heavily reliant on foreign sources.

The organization that impacts these inventories most is the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries. OPEC consists of 11 nations that hold twothirds of the world's oil supply and contribute about 40 percent of oil production. One problem comes when they decide to reduce production, which causes gasoline prices to skyrocket —basically the supplyand-demand concept.

The other major factors that affect gas prices can be deduced by simply observing the financial breakdown of each gallon of gas. The largest chunk, 45 percent, goes to the crude oil suppliers, or in other words, OPEC. Then there are refining costs that account for 13 per-

Because the world cannot be held at a constant, we must also include world events, wars and weather, which are all current factors.

While the government undoubtedly plays a role, it doesn't exactly help that we consume 20 million barrels of oil per day. This translates to 65 billion gallons of motor gasoline each year, and that figure increases by 2.6 percent annually.

As college students, we have the power to affect change when it comes to gas prices, and we are not powerless, despite the complexities that surround an issue that we are all undeniably affected by.

So, after considering all factors, while I haven't decided on a brand yet, I'm definitely going to go with a car with a diesel or hybrid engine because in the long run, it costs my community — and me — a lot less, financially and mentally.

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Greetings from Public Safety



Keith Wood

WELCOME BEARCATS! It is really good to have you here and we hope you have had a great summer before

having to come to the 'Ville to hit the books.

For us here at Public Safety, we've had an OK summer, but to tell you the truth, things have been a little quiet without you. As you can imagine, our activities and calls for service differ greatly when you are

not around. I wanted to address this letter to you early on so as to establish the right tone and relationship for the year, as well as tell you of a couple of law

changes that can impact you.

There are two significant changes in the law. 1) Minor in possession (MIP) used to require the minor to be physically holding an alcoholic container, consumption, no matter how much, was not possession. That has changed and consumption, or having alcohol in your system as a minor, is now possession. (And, FYI, any MIP with a .02 or greater BAC is subject to a 30 day drivers license suspension). 2) Persons, private or business, distributing alcohol (even house parties with open access to liquor), now have a legal responsibility to prevent minors from access to the alcohol. The law now states that it is a violation to "...knowingly fail to stop..." any minor's access to that alcohol. So, when having parties

where alcohol is available, some responsible person needs to be actively preventing minors from getting the drinks.

As for the relationship matter, it seems that each year takes on its own persona, and dictates how we are received, if/when that need arises. You can be assured that when in contact with our officers that you will be treated politely, courteously and with respect. IF, you ever find that any other way, I want to be informed of it as soon as possible and our supervisors are prepared to listen to your concerns. We have recently held a department meeting to emphasize that point.

For your part, I am asking the same in return. You do not have to like the action that an officer is taking and you may not agree, but I would ask that you simply respond with compliance and respect. Historically, the bulk of our relationship conflicts arise when people want to argue legal points or refuse our requests, because they now know more about the law, usually after just consuming a six-pack or its equivalent. The officers are encouraged to practice patience but take the action necessary to complete the job at hand; so the street-side, legal disagreement with an officer — when he/she likely has several other issues to address — is never productive and could serve to compound the situation.

The bottom line is, we are YOUR Public Safety Department and we are here for you. The nature of our task often leaves us in a non-envious position of sometimes taking actions that people simply don't like, but usually were avoidable.

NATION: Gas prices take nationwide hike

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heating oil and jet fuel from Houston to markets up and down the East Coast. A Transportation Department spokesman said Wednesday the Plantation Pipe Line Co. would restore partial service on its East Coast lines Wednesday night as well and that both companies expected to be fully operational by late Thursday.

Similarly, the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port, through which 10 percent of all U.S. oil imports flow, said generators would enable it to gradually resume partial service.

"Every little bit is going to help," said oil analyst John Kilduff at Fimat USA in New York.

A significant amount of oil and gas production in the Gulf of Mexico remains shut and reports of bangedup platforms and missing rigs continued to trickle in as companies conducted aerial inspections of offshore facilities.

Onshore, wholesale gasoline suppliers have begun capping the amount of fuel they sell to retailers in cer-

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tain markets to make sure retailers do not take delivery of more fuel than they actually need. Analysts said that while shortages have been reported in a small number of markets, they do not believe the problem is widespread and they cautioned motorists not to top off tanks out of fear.

With retail gasoline prices surging, BP PLC said in an e-mail to clients that it is making "pricing decisions with prudence and restraint in the wake of this natural disaster."

Light sweet crude for

October delivery on the New York Mercantile Exchange fell 87 cents to settle at \$68.94 a barrel, down from an overnight high of \$70.65. On Tuesday, oil futures settled at \$69.81, the highest closing price on Nymex since trading began in 1983, although still below the inflation-adjusted high of about \$90 a barrel that was set in 1980.

October gasoline futures surged as high as \$2.92 a gallon on Nymex and settled at \$2.6145 per gallon, an increase of 14 cents. That is 35 percent higher than they were on Friday.

LOCAL: Residents, businesses start to feel pressure

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Buholt said fuel containing ethanol, in addition to helping farmers, is cheaper to produce and cheaper at the pump. Ethanol sales at one store are close to double that of regular fuel and more than twice as much at the other store.

"We fought to get it here and now we can't keep enough of it in the ground," Buholt said. "It burns a lot cleaner and is better for the environment."

Many refineries located off-shore and in Louisiana were forced to shut down due to Hurricane Katrina hitting the Gulf Coast earlier this week. Bill Rottman, Aunt B's gas station attendant said the scare of prices rising due to the storm caused a rush at the pumps Monday.

"Everybody knew," Rottman said. "It was nonstop at the pumps from 3 to 7 p.m."

Fuel prices have also caused company managers and department officials to look for solutions to fit the extra cost within

Campus Safety Director Clarence Green said more exercise is in store for Campus Safety officers.

"We are encouraging officers to do more foot patrols," Green said. "It helps to cut out some unnecessary driving."

Gaspricewatch.com and gasbuddy.com are two sources on the web for the lowest prices in nearby neighborhoods. People can log on and find the cheapest rates near them.

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Accident Report Karri J. Lake, 20, Maryville and Russell G. Joslin, 51, Maryville at Business highway 71 South & E. South Ave at 12:17 p.m.

Ongoing Investigations 2500 block Aurora Avenue hit and run

200 block E. First Street ongoing investigation larceny (from motor vehicle)

1400 block N. Dewey ongoing investigation property damage

Jackson Heights ongoing investigation larceny/stealing

1400 block S. Main, Maryville ongoing investigation larceny/stealing

300 block E. Fifth Street ongoing investigation larceny

Arrests

Jesse L. Haynes, 33, Maryville for property damage - second degree, vicious dog and dog at large at 300 block S. Frederick at 9:41 p.m.

Brian L. Stein, 22, Maryville, for indecent exposure at 200 block W. Second St. at 11:28 p.m.

Thomas Aubuchon, 35, DeSoto, Mo., for DWI, open container in a vehicle, failure to signal turn at 100 block W. Fifth St. at 2:41

Jeremy L. Hughes, 19, Maryville, for wanted on warrant at 1400 block E. First St. at 10:12 p.m.

Kena B. Rife, 20, Maryville, for MIP at 400 block N. Buchanan at 11:59 p.m.

Christopher W. Eidam, 19, Maryville, for MIP at 900 block N. Mulberry at 12:58 David J. Eisenmonger, 20, Maryville, for MIP, possession of another's ID at 500 block N. Mulberry at 1:16 a.m.

Justin C. Pence, 20, Union Star, Mo., for MIP, careless and imprudent driving and no proof of financial responsibility at U.S. highway 136 at 12:59 a.m.

Joseph T. Mendez, 19, King City, Mo., for MIP at U.S. highway 136 at 12:59 a.

Tyler J. Jones, 20, Maryville, for MIP at 1000 block N. Main at 10:35

Megan M. Waters, 18, Maryville, for MIP at 1000 block N. Main at 10:35

Delia K. Bailey, 20, Maryville, for MIP and possession of another's ID at 400 block N. Buchanan

at 11:47

Joshua A. Woodke, 20, Marvville, for MIP and false information to an officer at 400 block N. Buchanan at 12:11 a.m.

Trenton K. Long, 19, Maryville, for MIP and larceny/stealing at 400 block N. Buchanan at 12:23 a.m.

Alison J. Hipsley, 19, Bedford, Iowa, for resisting arrest and MIP at 300 block S. Main at 12:56 a.m.

Charla C. Costello, 20, Maryville, for MIP at 400 block N. Buchanan at 1:06 a.m.

Jennifer A. Martin, 20, Weston, Mo., for MIP at 400 block N. Buchanan at 12:30 a.m.

Patrick W. Sites, 23, Doolittle, Mo., for DWI, fail to signal turn anddd failure to maintain financial responsibility at 200 block N. Main at 2:33 a.m.

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\$72.50 Brian K. Johnson, Maryville, \$72.50 Tabetha C. Caroll, Hopkins, Mo., \$72.50 Aaron S. Black, Maryville,

Proof of insurance Gregory J. Miller, Maryville, \$350.00 Aaron S. Black, Maryville, \$197.50

Careless and imprudent driving Mandi M. Schumacher,

Maryville, \$595.50 Dalene Burus, Maryville, \$97.50

Failure to dim highlights Colleen J. Peck, Red Oak, Iowa, \$595.50 Excessive acceleration Brenna N. Tunell, Maryville,



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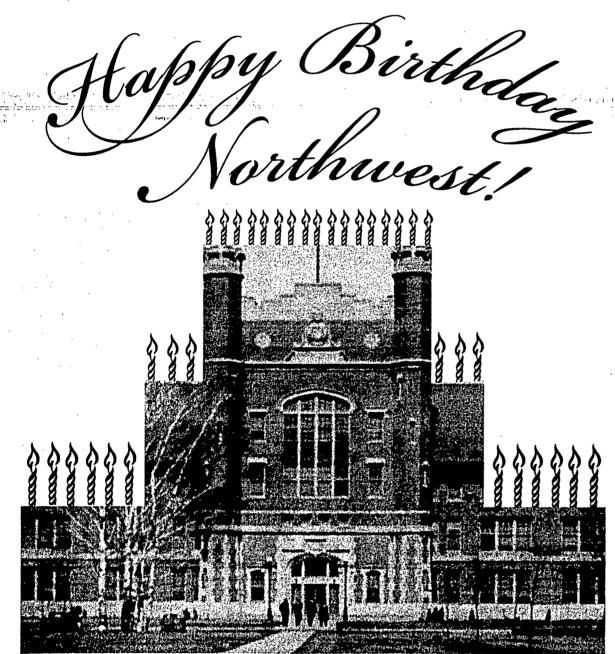
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Saturday, September 10

More events and special recognitions are scheduled throughout the year.

▶ Dedication of the Centennial Garden, 9 a.m.

▶ Unveiling the Centennial Sculpture, 10 a.m. (east side Union) ▶ Centennial Bowl: Northwest vs. Truman State

Hickory Stick game, 1 p.m. Bearcat Stadium

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Maryville's newest law to bottle-up underage drinking

By Kristine Hotop Staff Writer

imply setting your drink down when the cops come to break up a house party used to be enough.

But because of Missouri's recently passed law, Northwest students don't necessarily need to be holding an alcoholic beverage to be slapped with a stiff fine and a tarnished record.

Effective Aug. 28, the Minor in Possession by Consumption law cracks down on underage drinking. The law states if the police suspect a minor of consuming alcohol, even if an alcoholic container isn't present.

The minor can be asked to take a breathalyzer. The new bill states that the body is a container; any minor with alcoholic levels over .02 or "visibly intoxicated" traits can be charged with the crime.

The violation is classified as a Minor in Possession crime and receives the same ticket but is stated as its own bill entitled Minor in Possession by Consumption.

The Missouri Senate Bill 402 changes six existing alcohol-related laws. The bill adds more harsh

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and less lenient punishments on minors who publically display their drunken state.

"The state of Missouri has its own rules set; as well the city of Maryville has its own ordinance that both the community and campus must follow," Campus Safety Director Clarence Green said.

The University continues to be drug and alcohol-free and enforces the same set of regulations concerning alcohol on the premises. Campus Safety doesn't expect an extreme increase in minor in possession tickets, but there could be a slight rise, according to Green.

When a student is caught on campus for an alcohol related offense, their first offense is referred to the campus judiciary system and the second is sent to the state judiciary system.

However, these rules don't mean students should fear or avoid campus. The idea of walking while intoxicated has risen in importance in some minors' minds. A common myth among students is police can demand anyone walking or outside a house party to take a breathalyzer and receive an MIP if alcohol is detected.

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still need probable cause and reasonable suspicion to stop anyone walking the streets.

'(Officers) can't just randomly walk up to someone and make them breathe into a breathalyzer," Green said. "The person has to look overly intoxicated or be causing a disturbance to draw attention for an officer to. stop them."

Students can benefit by understanding the laws and rules they must abide by in order to stay out of trouble. Students must also keep in mind it is their duty to act maturely about any alcohol situations.

"I think that the law will prompt more drunk driving," James Sondag, GAMMA co-president, said. "Minors who have been drinking will be more afraid to walk home now. They should utilize the Safe Ride program, but I don't think that they

In case this does happen, students are encouraged to use Safe Ride. The Safe Ride program on campus serves Northwest students as well as guests — as long as a photo I.D. or Bearcat card is provided prior to entering the van — and always serves as a better

the myth is wrong. Police alternative than entering a car with alcohol.

> "Safe Ride will not enforce the alcohol laws; it will continue to run the same way it always has," Green said. "No one should receive a ticket for driving under the influence on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday night because of Safe Ride. There will be no repercussions for using the van when a minor has been drinking."

> The vehicle operates under certain rules in order to keep its passengers safe after depar-

> The van will pick up students in the city limits of Maryville and transport them to a safe place. Safe Ride, however, will not allow riders to leave the van at additional house parties, not make any stops at bars, stores or gas stations for any circumstance.

"The best choice is to walk if you have been drinking and you choose not to take Safe Ride," Green said. "The law states that it is illegal for anyone under 21 to drink alcohol, but you and I both know that not everyone is going to follow that. So, the best scenario for everyone is to just walk straight to where they need to go."



DID YOU KNOW? A QUICK REFERENCE TO MISSOURI'S SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICIES.

Missouri Senate Bill 402 expanded the Minor in Possession law. Listed here are additional laws recently passed or amended.

Expungement of record. If a minor is found guilty of minor in possession by consumption and has not committed another alcohol related offense after one year, or by the age of 21 may request the misdemeanor by taken off record. Only one removal may be received per person.

House parties. This section of the bill adds that any owner, occupant or person with legal use of property who fails to prevent minors from drinking will be charged with a Class B misdemenor.

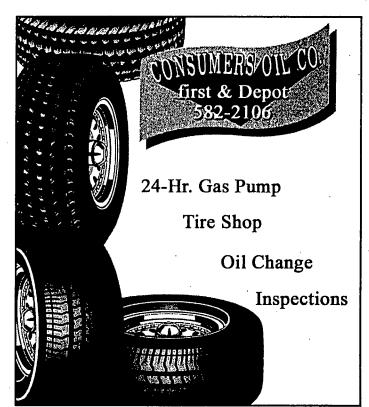
Making, selling fake IDs. Anyone who attains, sells of uses any type of fake

identification for reasons of purchasing or selling alcohol to minors is guilty of a Class A misdemenor.

School policy on alcohol. By June 30, 2006, each school district in Missouri shall create and enforce a plan punishing students disobeying rules against possessing or consuming alcohol on school property.

Suspension of drivers license. If a person guilty of minor in possession is older than 15, may have their driving privelages revoked. The time period can last for 30 days on a first offense, 90 days for a second offense and up to a year for subsequent offenses.

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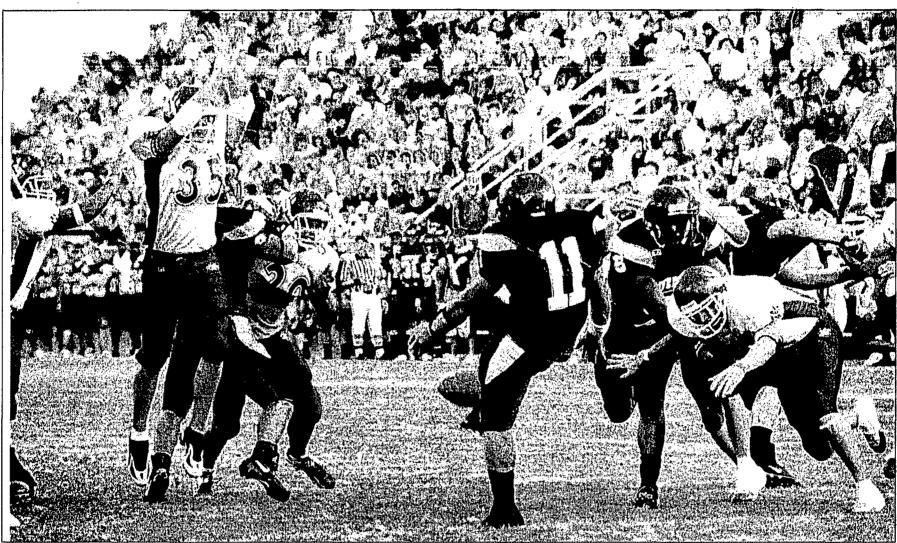
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THE NORTHWEST SPECIAL TEAMS were responsible for the first touchdown of the season. Zach Chambers (35) blocked a punt which was recovered by E.J. Falkner in the endzone for the Bearcats. Northwest picked up their first win in overtime, 24-21 over Minnesota State- Mankato.

Early Season Showdown

Mavericks present tall task for Northwest defense

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

The Northwest football team has little time to celebrate their season-opening victory against Minnesota State-Mankato.

State-Mankato.
Saturday they play a team Coach Mel Tjeerdsma considers possibly their toughest opponent of the season. The fifth ranked Bearcats will travel to play the University of Nebraska-Omaha, ranked seventh in the nation.

"The important thing is that we go up there and play well," Tjeerdsma said. "I don't care anything about where we're ranked, where they're ranked or anything else. It's a tough game and it's going to be a tough challenge for us, and we have to go there and answer the challenge."

The Mavericks come off a 41-17 victory against Nebraska-Kearney. Senior wide receiver Chris Denney paved the way for the Mavericks by catching 10 passes for 260 yards and two touchdowns. Denney was just 57 yards shy of the school record for yards in a game.

Quarterback Brian Masek completed 15 of 19 passes for 291 yards and three touchdowns.

"(There's) not really any big concerns, it's just a matter of us doing our job," cornerback Brandon Clayton. "... If we just eliminate big plays, then we should be pretty much unbeatable."

Clayton, who had two tackles, was part of the reason that the Mankato offense only picked up 176 yards through

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Overtime field goal seals first win of young season for Bearcats

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

Special teams certainly made an impact in the season opener for the Northwest football team.

Fortunately for the Bearcats, the last mark the unit made was positive. The team avoided an upset on the road with a 24-21 victory over Minnesota State-Mankato thanks to a new face.

True freshman Tommy Frevert kicked a 39-yard field goal in overtime to secure the victory for the No. 5 'Cats.

"In my head it was pretty much 'don't miss' and I needed to bounce

back from my first field goal that I missed," Frevert said.

The 'Cats rallied in the fourth quarter on a 15-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Josh Lamberson to wide receiver Andre Rector to tie the game at 21-21 with 10:48 left in the game. The 'Cats defense then held

off Mankato three more times to force overtime.

Mankato won the coin toss after a 16-minute delay in between periods due to a power outage on the Northwest sideline. The Bearcat offense went three yards and set up the field goal for Frevert,

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Class 2 finalist first on plate for 'Hounds

By Brendan Kelley Staff Writer

It's amazing how much difference a year can make.

Last year the Maryville Spoofhounds started their season with a game against the Cameron Bulldogs. The end result was a 27-10 'Hounds victory.

'Hounds victory.

Now, a year later, the 'Hounds prepare to face off against Cameron to start their 2005 season. The difference is that the 'Hounds lost 18 seniors from a team that fell one game short of the state championship game in 2004. They also have a first year quarterback at the helm.

Cameron poses a number of threats. The Bulldogs finished second in the state last year in Class 2 football and have a four-year starting quarterback to go along with a strong receiving corps.

"We'll be facing one of the best pure passing teams in the state of Missouri on Friday," coach Paul Miller said. "Any time we face something like that I worry. It's not that our kids have done anything bad or wrong, I just worry about whether or not we've had enough reps."

New quarterback Kevin Schluter will find himself paired with some inexperience in the backfield when the 'Hounds take



PHOTO BY MIKE DYE NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

KEVIN SCHLUTER will be under center when the season kicks off against Cameron Friday night at the 'Hound Pound.

the field on Friday night.

"You have to take them under you wing," Schluter said. "They still make some mental mistakes, but overall they're doing good and we're ready to go."

From a defensive standpoint the goal for the 'Hounds will be to shutdown Cameron's passing

See **HOUNDS** page **3B**

Reserved seating hopes to alleviate long lines

By Cole Young Staff Writer

Students can now sleep in a little bit longer on Saturday mornings.

A new plan unveiled by the athletic department makes all Northwest student seats reserved, beginning with the home opener against Truman State on Sept. 10.

"Essentially we want to make it easier for all the students to enjoy the game," said Assistant Athletic Director Mark Clements. "By doing this, we are giving students the chance to get their ticket ahead of time and know that their spot will be there when they arrive."

Through a new computer

system, students, along with the general public, will be able to go to the student services desk and

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RESERVED SEATING? WHAT DOES THIS MEAN

The plan for reserved seating is to give students a set spot to sit rather than having to rush to the stadium to find seats.

Season tickets. Students have the option to visit the Student Services desk and pick up tickets for all regular season home games.

No rush. A bonus of this plan means no more showing up at the stadium two hours early just to hold down your spot.

Better Spots. All reserved seats for students now fall in the middle of the grandstand, giving students the best seats in the stadium.

New club sport in the works for University

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

In the next couple editions of *The Missourian* we will break down the pros and cons of bringing wrestling back.

Fliers have been floating around Northwest informing students a wrestling team might return to Northwest.

However, the athletic department feels that the fliers might have been misleading.

"It said on there 'bring college wrestling back to Northwest,""
Athletic Director Bob Boerigter said. "We were troubled on that bullet point"

bullet point."

Intercollegiate wrestling is not coming back to Northwest, although it could soon be a club

sport, Boerigter said.

"We weren't alone with that interpretation ... a half a dozen students stopped me and asked me if it was coming back as an intercollegiate sport," Boerigter said.

Graduate student David Nugent, 23, heads up and said he didn't intend for the fliers to be misleading. He said he and Boerigter have talked about the problem via email

via email.

Until Wednesday, the club had not yet found a practice facility. Albany High School agreed to let the organization practice at the school after Northwest and Maryville High School both said no. However, Albany is about a 40 miles force Markhanet.

miles from Northwest.
"I mean it's disappointing, it's obviously more cost efficient

to have it in Maryville ... but it's better to have something than nothing," Nugent said.

Loren Butler of the Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance department will advise the group while Terry Robertson (also of the HPERD department) will co-advise.

Nugent and the organization will soon bring it up before Student Senate in the next couple weeks, who will then decide whether or not they should approve the organization.

If the organization is approved the group would be members of the National Collegiate Wrestling Association. It would allow them to travel around and compete against other schools that offer it as a club sport,

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CATS: Kicker wins it with OT kick

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who redeemed himself after missing a 23-yard field goal in the first quarter.

"I'm proud of Tommy ... he felt bad about missing that first field goal. I think he was little excited, from what he said he probably took his eye off the ball a little bit," coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "He sure didn't miss the second one, he nailed that baby.'

Frevert's kick capped off a night that was full of interesting plays for the fairly inexperienced—special teams unit. The positives included a game-winning field goal, a blocked punt and six returns for over 80 yards. The negatives included two bad snaps and a missed field goal.

However, special teams play wasn't the only reason why Northwest struggled to get out of the gate against

Quarterback Josh Lamberson, in his first game since last year's season ending hip injury, struggled as he completed 26 of 40 passes for 270 yards.

"I'm a little disappointed actually," Lamberson said. "I don't think we played tentative on the offense, I don't think tentative is the word. I just don't really think we hit full gear tonight on the offense side of the ball ... It's our first game we got to learn from it and hopefully improve from it."

Lamberson seemed hesitant early as he didn't tuck the ball as he has in the past. Lamberson only finished with a net gain of 3 rushing

The receiving corps picked up the ground game's slack as Lamberson hit eight different receivers. Sophomore E.J. Falkner left

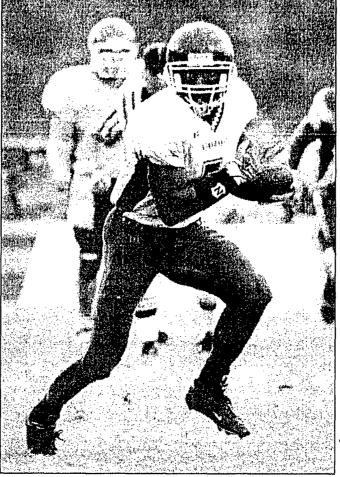


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ANDRE RECTOR looks downfield against Minnesota-Mankato last Thursday night. Rector finished the game with 107 receiving yards in the Bearcat's season opener.

the game in the third quarter with a hip injury after three receptions for 53 yards and a touchdown. Senior Andre Rector led all receivers with nine receptions for 107 yards and one touchdown. Omon also chipped in with five receptions for 62 yards.

Northwest got on the board in the first quarter thanks to a blocked punt by Falkner who then jumped on the ball in the end zone. The 'Cats later drove 78 yards in 10 plays in the second quarter to score again on a 36-yard touchdown pass to Falkner, putting them up 14-0.

Mankato got the ball back with 1:23 left in the half. After holding, for the doors, Mankato faced a third and six from their own 12-yard line. Northwest called a timeout with 39 seconds with hopes of getting the ball back again.

The plan backfired as quarterback Jamie Van-DenElzen found Kyle Krivoruchka for a 37-yard gain. Two plays later VanDenElzen found Tyrell Smith for a 36-yard touchdown with 18 seconds left in the half.

"We should have let the clock run out," Tjeerdsma said. "But when you have a team down like that, you want to take advantage. I put the defense in a bad position, and that is my mistake."

UNO: Top 10 team up next for 'Cats

Continued from **B1**

the air. On the ground the defensive line will have its hands full again. After Mankato gained 119 yards on the ground last week, the 'Cats will face running back Jamar Day whopicked up 119 yards on his own a week ago.

"Basically we have to be fundamentally sound, they have a good football team, we just feel like we've got the fundamentals down, keep the conditioning up, be very aggressive, we'll be fine," defensive tackle Steve Williams said.

The Mavericks defense only allowed 33 rushing yards and running back Xavier Omon said they will have to mix it up.

"They take advantage of their speed, their linebackers just flow to the ball really well," running back Xavier Omon said. "But then again that can hurt them, they flow very well but then again we're going to take advantage of their team flowing to the ball so hard ... There will be no side-to-side Barry Sanders run, it's got to be all up hill basically.

The Mavericks did however allow 246 pass-

ing yards in their season opener. The 'Cats, however, might be a little shorthanded on the receiving end of the ball. Wide receiver E.J. Falkner suffered a hip-pointer early in the third quarter last week. He expected to play Saturday but Tjeerdsma is not sure if that will happen.

"I don't know, I hope he is (going to play), I feel like he will be," Tjeerdsma said. "But I was a little disappointed (Tuesday), I thought he was ready to go. All indications were that he was ready to go and he wasn't. It's pretty hard to play if you don't practice, so we'll see."

The Bearcats, who will start at 6 p.m. Saturday, will try to finish non-conference play with a perfect 2-0 record. Conference play starts next week.

Though Omaha could a pose a possible upset, players like Omon believe that they will finish down the stretch.

'We've got to outmuscle (Omaha) and out work them," Omon said. "By the fourth quarter we should wear them down and that's what it's going to come down to, who wants it more."

WHO'S WHERE?

THE MIAA THIS WEEK

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STUDENTS FROM AROUND bumps a ball during the season opener Tuesday night against Clarinda. Maryville picked up a straight sets win. Maryville now travels to the Fairfax Tourney.

Volleyball sweeps Clarinda, prepares for Fairfax Tourney

Bv Andv Timko StafF Writer

The Spoofhound volleyball team opened the 2005 season with a new coach and a win on their home court Tuesday night.

Fighting off opening day jitters, the 'Hounds topped the Clarinda Cardinals in three games (25-17, 24-26, 25-18).

"It was great having a home game and opening up with our crowd here, senior Kim Wolfer said.

Game one remained neck and neck until after the 'Hounds tied it at 16-16. Wolfer served eight good serves in a row, including three service aces to maintain momentum and give the 'Hounds the win.

things they did on the court," head coach Steph Suntken said. "Everything we do is aggressive. By hitting aggressive we make the other side make mistakes.'

The Cardinals took the lead from the beginning of the second game before letting the 'Hounds come back to tie it at 16-16. From there the 'Hounds rallied to 24-18 before relinquishing the lead by losing eight points in a row and subsequently the match.

"We quit talking and we got frustrated with ourselves," Wolfer said. "It's all about emotions and momentum and when, one of us gets down, we all get down."

The 'Hounds started

"I was happy with the with the lead for the first time the third game. The bounced back and forth until Katie Wilmes stepped up to serve with the 'Hounds down 11-

"I try to find ways to give them incentives," Suntken said. "We like a lot of 'show us what you can do."

Those words were taken to heart and with 10 consecutive points, including four service aces from Wilmes, the 'Hounds shut the door on Clarinda.

'We didn't want to take it to three games and we did so we wanted to win for sure," Wolfer said.

The 'Hounds will be back in action today at the Fairfax Tournament in Fairfax.

OPENER: Cameron first test for 'Hounds

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game, but also concentrate on doing the little things.

"Cameron hás a tough offense and we have to be hitting on all cylinders," senior Ben McKim said. "We have to be able to hit, tackle and take people down.

After practicing through August the 'Hounds are more than willing to turn in the heat of practice in the sun for the cool of a game on a Friday night.

"It's time for a game," Miller said. "We're tired of practicing against each other and we're having a hard time focusing mentally."

The 'Hounds did not make it through the pre-

season without injuries. There are a number of players questionable for Friday and two that will not be suiting up.

Fullback Cody Gillenwater and tailback Ben Demott will not play on Friday which leaves the 'Hounds with only one tailback, but Miller is not worried.

"Even though we're going into the first game of the season with one tailback I feel pretty good," Miller said. "Ryan Stiens will not disappointment me, he will not go into the game and turn the ball over or make mistakes mentally. He will do exactly what you ask him to do and he will do it to the best of his ability."

While Cameron may

not be the easiest opponent to start out against, the 'Hounds are thankful that they will be playing their first game at home.

'Ît's a big advantage for them to be in familiar surroundings," Miller said. "It's more of a typical day for them, to go into their own locker room and play on their home field."

There is no way of knowing how good a team is until they are game tested and Friday will be the 'Hounds first look. It might also be an indicator as to how the rest of the season will go.

"There is no substitute for taking snaps and game experience," Miller said. "Friday night should tell us a lot about ourselves."

Softball blows past Cameron

By Dennis Sharkey Staff Writer

The Maryville softball team improved its record to 3-0 overall and 1-0 in. conference with an 8-2 win over the Cameron Lady Dragons Tuesday.

The Spoofhounds used a strong pitching performance by Junior Caitlin Woods and timely hitting to move past Cameron.

Head coach Kathy Blackney said Woods' pitching is crucial to her team's success after losing their best pitcher from last year to graduation.

"Caitlin's pitching has really come through for us," Blackney said. "We need key hits, today we were getting them."

The 'Hounds were able to pull away from the Lady Dragons with two runs in

the fourth and three more in the fifth.

The 'Hounds took advantage of the wild pitches thrown by Cameron pitcher Samantha

Sophomore shortstop Jordan Gadbois said the team's communication on the field has led to them cashing in on other's mis-

"We weren't all together at first," Gadbois said. "We were talking and our communication was key. This year we're watching the ball a lot more and that's helping out a lot."

Blackney said the team has taken a more aggressive attitude this year, which has helped make up for deficiencies in other areas.

"We like to be aggressive," Blackney said. "We don't have a lot of speed but we have some, so we try to take advantage of pitches.

The 'Hounds will try to maintain their unblemished record with a game at conference foe Lafayette today.

They head for a tournament in Auburn, Neb. on Saturday.

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In the past, the seating has been first come, first serve. The new policy is an attempt to alleviate this.

"We are trying to get away from that big bull rush right at the beginning," Clements said. "This will give our ticket window workers more time and also give the students more time.'

Three sections have been reserved in the east grandstand as student sections.

Another option students have is to pick up what Clements referred to as a "season-ticket" package.

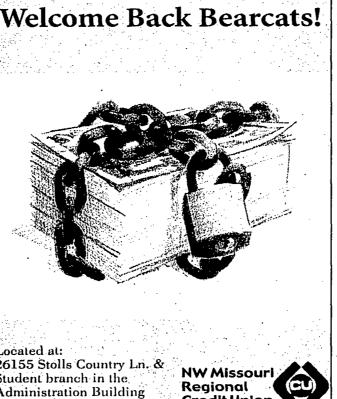
Once the system is fully in place next week, students can get tickets to all regular season home games in one

Clements said once the students receive them though there cannot be any reprints.

"If they lose them, we can't go back into our system and get another one for them," he said. "Basically after that if they want to come to the game they just have to go buy a ticket.'

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Football about more than final score



Brendan Kelly

awake late at night tossing and turning. He stares at the ceiling; finally he rises and begins walking through his home. He ends up in the living room, sits down on the couch, pulls out

a notebook and flips on the TV. "Daddy, are you okay?" asks a little voice from behind him.

"Yeah, I'm fine darling. Let's get

you back in bed."

He returns back to the couch as visions of running backs, wide receivers and defensive ends dance across the screen.

The next day his team will take the field and he will finally know whether or not he gave them the plays and knowledge to succeed. On Friday night he will remember why he works so hard. The man will look his 18-year old players in the eye as they walk off the field. He will talk to each player assuring them that they did everything they could to win the game. He will leave the stadium Friday night, return home and start the process all over again.

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A man lies football coach. In modern day sports it's so easy to get caught up in winning and striving to be the best that we forget that it isn't all about the score.

> Last year was my first year covering Maryville Spoofhound football. It didn't take me long to see that the 'Hounds had an amazingly talented team. But, what I began to notice more than the talent was the fight in the players and their attitudes towards media and fans.

> The 'Hounds left it all on the field. After games last year every one of the players left tired and sore, but filled with pride. I never saw a Maryville player or coach ignore a reporter or fan. Even after their last game of the season in Harrisonville the coaches and players held their heads high. It would have been so easy for the seniors to just jump on the bus and leave, but they talked to reporters. They gave interviews with tears in their eyes, they high-fived fans and hugged their parents knowing all along that they would never step back onto the field wearing a Maryville jersey.

> Some people think that winning makes a coach great, others say that it's all about how many of his players go on to play college football. I can tell you from watching Paul Miller's team play that there's more to football, there's more to life

than that. Miller's team is a direct reflection of the man that he is. They fight until the very end, they push themselves to the limit, and every time they step onto the field they remember what they are representing. Off the field they handle themselves the way athletes should. They bring pride to a program that has a rich history, carrying themselves with confidence, but never acting as though they are above those around them.

There's talk going around that this year's team won't be as good as last year's. People are saying that they're going to struggle, but if there's one thing I know about Paul Miller it's that he knows how to get the most out of his team. Miller teaches his players to play with heart and to hold onto a sense of pride that comes from respecting tradition and history, all the while pushing them to play to the best of their ability.

Miller will put a good team on the field this year, but this season when the game is over instead of staring at the scoreboard and looking at stats, look at the players on Miller's squad.

Football players in Maryville are not just learning how to win, they're learning how to become men and they're learning from one of the best teachers around.



CLINT PRANGE went through drills last spring in preparation for the outdoor season. Prange won his third national championship in discus this May along with an MIAA title.

Spring squads excel at national level

Baseball

The Northwest baseball team finished out their season by going 4-. 6 in their last 10 games to end up with an overall record of 34-24. The Bearcats season ended with back to back losses to Central Missouri State and Emporia State in the conference tournament.

Matt Coons, Kyle Gallagher and Ryley Westman all earned All-MIAA second-team honors. The 'Cats also had three players earn honorable men-

Track and Field

The highlight for this year's mens' track and field team was Clint Prange. On May 8 Prange set a new MIAA shot put record and became the MIAA champion in both. shot put and discus.

Prange: became the NCAA division II national champion in the discus on May 26. It was Prange's third national championship in the discus (02', 03').

Prange followed up his performance by setting a new NCAA record in the shot put with a throw of 66'1" to win his second national championship.

The women's squad had an MIAA champion with Alisha Samuel in the 100-meter dash to go along with four All-MIAA second team nominations.

Softball

The Northwest softball team ended their season with a 34-27 record.

The 'Cats season ended with losses to Pittsburg State and Emporia in the conference tournament.

Jaclyn Brown, Katy John and Ashley Pride were All-MIAA second team nominations with Katy John also being named to the second team Louisville Slugger/National Fastpitch Coaches Association division II All-North Central Region team.

Tennis

The Northwest womens' tennis team wrapped up their season with an 18-11 record, winning the North Central Region. Junior Gena Lindsay won the MIAA Player of the Year award and joined her fellow teammates Raven Herner and Erica Ramirez on the MIAA first team.,

The 'Cats mens' tennis team finished out their 2005 campaign with a 12-13 record, finishing runner-up in the MIAA tournament to Southwest Baptist.

Freshman Jake Sauls conference the won championship for No. 6 singles. Teammate Lucas Ariboni earned first team All-MIAA honors.

> HOW'D THEY DO? **SPRING REVIEW**

Softball-finished 34-27 Baseball- finished 34-24 Tennis- finished 18-11 Track and Field-Clint Prange won the discus for the third time. Alisha Samuel earned an MIAA title



SPORTBRIEF

VOLLEYBALL

The Northwest volleyabll team has started off its season by winning their first three matches.

The Bearcats then dropped their last match to finish 3-1 at the Missouri Southern Invitational in Joplin, Mo.

The team started off the weekend on Friday with wins over Central Arkansas and Henderson State. It took all five games to win ter. both matches.

team with 41 kills in the first

finished the tournament with a sweep over Quincy University. But then they souri-Rolla in their home were swept by No. 21 opener Saturday at 2 p.m.

Augustana to end the tournament.

They will now head to St. Joseph to play in the Missouri Western Invitational starting Friday.

SOCCER

The Northwest soccer team managed to come from behind Saturday on the road and tie Wayne State 2-2.

The 'Cats scored first on a goal by Beth Gutschenrit-

Wayne State then put Sarah Trowbidge led the titwo goals in before the end of the first half.

Margaret Trummer The next day the 'Cats' scored early in the second half to tie the game at 2-2.

The team plays Mis-

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Royals keep Twins scoreless, set team record in progress

Team scores run in ninth for victory

By Doug Tucker AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. -Emil Brown singled home Denny Hocking with one out in the ninth to lead Kansas City to a 1-0 victory Wednesday over the Minnesota Twins, who set a team record by getting 13 hits in a shutout.

The Twins bounced into four double plays and had runners thrown out at third and home.

It was also a Royals' record for most hits allowed in a shutout, breaking the mark of 10 which had been done four

The Twins' previous record for hits in a shutout was 12 in a 1-0 loss to the California Angels in 1975.

Hocking singled off Matt Guerrier (0-3) leading off the ninth, and reached second when third baseman Terry Tiffee misplayed a grounder by Chip Ambres. Terry Mulholland relieved and struck out Matt Stairs, before Brown

grounded a single just inside the bag at third.

Mike MacDougal (3-4) pitched the ninth for the

The Twins had runners at second and third with one out in the ninth but pinch runner Brent Abernathy was thrown out at third after MacDougal's pitch to Michael Ryan sailed to the backstop.

Abernathy started to come home, then changed his mind and tried to get back to third but catcher Paul Phillips' throw beat

Ryan then took a called third strike. It was the second straight game every Twins starter hit safely.

Kyle Lohse gave up only three hits and one walk in seven innings and had a perfect game until Terrence Long's two-out single in the fourth.

The veteran righthander did not allow another baserunner until Paul Phillips doubled into right-center leading off the

Royals starter Mike Wood gave up eight hits and two walks in six innings but kept the Twins scoreless with the help of



MARK TEAHEN TAGS out Brent Abernathy trying to advance home on a wild pitch in the ninth inning. Abernathy would have been the go ahead run. The Royals shutout the Twins 1-0.

double plays in the first, ing in the fourth. With second and fourth.

Wood was relieved starting the seventh by Andrew Sisco.

The Royals turned an unusual double play to keep the Twins from scorrunners at first and second and one out, Tiffee grounded to first baseman loe McEwing. He threw to second for the force out there, but the throw back to first to get Tiffee was late.

Jacque Jones, who had singled leading off the inning, tried to score from second but was cut thrown out at home by Wood, who had covered

The Twins also had two runners on base with one out in the first and second innings but Jones and Mike Redmond each rolled into double plays. Jones also bounced into a double play in the eighth.

Saints head for higher ground

By Dave Goldberg AP Football Writer

There is only one certainty about the New Orleans Saints' future: They will live and work out of the Marriott Riverwalk in San

Antonio for a while. Beyond that, question marks abound. It's highly unlikely they'll be able to hold their home opener Sept. 18 at the Superdome and they may not be able to play there at all this season after the stadium was ravaged by Hurricane

So that first game against the New York Giants could be at the Alamodome in San Antonio. Or at Tiger Stadium in Baton Rouge, La. Or even at Legion Field in Birmingham, Ala.

And all of those sites could host other home games for the Saints, who escaped the hurricane by flying with their families last weekend to San Jose, Calif. New Orleans plays at Oakland on Thursday night in its final exhibition

While the Saints and NFL officials have been discussing a variety of alternatives, they haven't talked yet with many of the people at the proposed sites.

"We can say is LSU an option, yeah, but is it an option with them?" Saints spokesman Greg Bensel said Wednesday by phone from San Jose. "That's the next hurdle. We haven't crossed that hurdle vet."

Only one hurdle has been crossed.

Following the Raiders game, the Saints will go to San Antonio, where they will stay at the same hotel they stayed at last season when Hurricane Ivan chased them out of New Orleans in the second week of the regular season.

The Saints will also use the same practice facilities at Trinity University, so they will have, as Bensel put it, "a certain comfort level with where we are."

That would seem to make the Alamodome, which holds 65,000 for football, a logical alternative, although it's about 550 miles from New Orleans, farther than the NFL would like.

But at this point, no one

really knows the options.

Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and league officials have discussed the situation over the past few days. Location hasn't been the most important topic.

"We've been talking about how we as a league can assist with relief efforts," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said. "Not only for Saints players and officials and their families, but also for a lot of other players in the league who live or have families in the region."

None of the options for the Saints seem ideal, including the unlikely scenario of playing their entire schedule on the road.

opener to the Meadowlands

is a problem because the Giants share their stadium with the New York Jets, who are scheduled to play Miami at home that day.

There has been talk of using Reliant Stadium in Houston, but the Texans are home Sept. 18 to Pittsburgh.

Those hurdles could be overcome by playing games on Saturday or Monday, but it hardly seems like a palatable option to either the team or the league.

The last time a game was shifted on short notice was on Oct. 27, 2003, when the Chargers and Miami Dolphins met at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe, Ariz., after wildfires in southern California pre-Switching their home vented the game from being played in San Diego.

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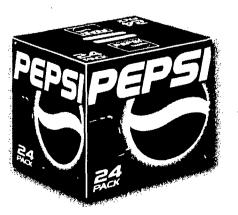
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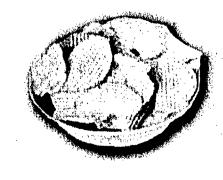
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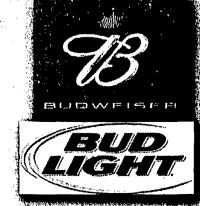
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The Stroller

Telcome back Northwest! Hope you like construction and traffic jams and the hottest electronics this side of Silicone Valley. Most importantly, here's hoping you like freaky people following you around just trying to be social.

No, I'm not talking about freshmen, they are OK in my book so far. I'm talking about some-

one younger. Younger even than Academy students.

You see, Your Man went back to his roots this weekend. Instead of sitting in my lair, it was time to go for a good stroll. After crossing the new pedestrian bridge, I spotted a group of five people walking towards a residence hall.

My initial thought followed

something of this nature: "Wow, five people; walking in a group, must be freshmen. Wow, those are short freshmen though, like four feet tall, Yo, dog, isn't this chica out of your league. Whoa, I didn't pick up my textbooks. Wait, focus, those aren't freshmen they are some type of morph."

After following them for a few minutes I realized that my worst fear has been confirmed. Middle schoolers have infiltrated our campus. Now, I'm all for diversity, but 12-year-olds following a girl around campus, are you kidding me? To make it worse, the stalkers were some of the ones that always ride their skateboards around the library, because you know that is a skateboard park.

I was dumbfounded. These kids decided to follow an extremely dumbfounded girl around begging for her to show her where she lived so they could, "show her how they rapped and made their music."

At this moment I knew the first article back from my summer break was set.

But just in case you didn't like that idea, I threw a few other ideas around all summer.

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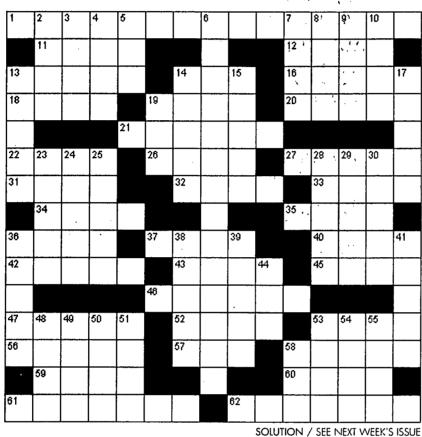
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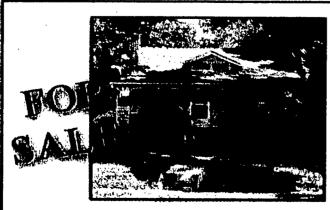
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An in-depth look at each spot on the Northwest roster

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

The Northwest football team is feeling the pressure.

They know that this could be the year. But before they can start thinking about Alabama and the national championship they have to get through the regular season.

Quarterbacks:

Josh Lamberson is back. In his first game back from last year's season ending hip injury the captain completed 26 out of 40 passes for 270 yards and two touchdowns. But Lamberson seemed a little nervous. He hesitated to scramble and some of his passes were off early on.

"He certainly didn't perform badly at all, he really performed pretty well," Mel Tjeerdsma said. When you consider the level that he wants to play at, he was disappointed with that. I think he'll relax and be a lot different player this week and each week as the season goes on.'

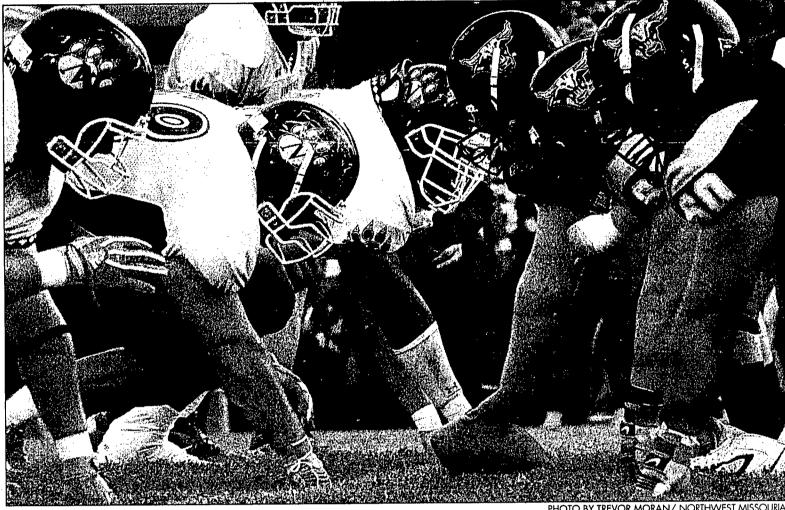
Lamberson completed 121 of 168 passes for over 1,700 yards and 19 touchdowns in just eight games last year.

If Lamberson does go down, sophomore Josh Mathews steps up. It would be nothing new for him as he went in for Lamberson last year after he got hurt and played in 10 games.

Running backs:

Xavier Omon returns after a freshman season in which he rushed for 1,642 yards and 19 touchdowns. Omon will try to repeat that type of performance despite a tiresome first game.

"I figure if I work harder in practice and kind of just relax before the game, I'll be fine,"



THE ANCHOR TENANTS of the defensive line prepare for a snap against Minnesota-Mankato last Thursday. From left, Dave Tollefson, Kyle Kaiser and Steve Williams get in their stances. Williams has been selected to a host of Preseason All-American teams as a top defensive linemen.

Omon said.

Zach Sherman backs him up while Daren Roberts and Mitch Herring will rush as fullbacks.

Wide receivers/tight ends:

Despite losing Jamaica Rector and Morris White, the receiving corps bring back senior captain Andre Rector and sophomore E.J. Falkner. Rector caught nine passes for 107 yards and a touchdown while Falkner scored two touchdowns in the season opener. Falkner injured his hip in the first game but is expected to play. Jared Meyerkorth and Kendall Wright round out the wide receiving unit. Jon Goss and Trey Simeone will both hold down the tight end position.

Offensive line:

The offensive line is a big reason for the running game's success last year. Center Jordan Wilcox, a captain, leads the line, while Keith Holden and Eric Hoyt play the guard spots. Juniors Cody Campbell and Joe Holtzclaw hold down the tackle spots.

Special teams:

The unit lost kicker Luis Berlanga, punter Joel Matthews, long snapper Eric Goudge and returner Jamaica Rector. So, the Bearcats must bring in new faces to replace them. Andre Rector will handle most of the returns, Gabe Lickteig will punt, true freshman Tommy Frevert will be the place kicker and Kurt Bertels will long snap.

"It just takes time, it's an experience thing," Tjeerdsma said. "You can't create experience. You just have to keep going as you go you will get better and get confident."

Defensive line:

2004 All-MAA first team tackle Steve Williams leads a defensive line that only allowed 85 rushing yards per game last year. He is joined by left end Ryan Waters, nose guard Kyle Kaiser and right end, and senior captain, Dave

"I don't want to sound arrogant, but I really think we have a real good defense, a good D-Line, I think we play dominant, fundamentally sound and don't make too many mental errors we can do real well against them," Wil-

Linebackers:

All three linebackers have been replaced from last year. Adam Long the 2004 defensive MVP in the MIAA, along with Troy Tysdahl and Chad Botswick, graduated. Replacing them are Ben Harness, Heath Finch and Jared Erspamer.

"When you really stop and think about it that was our most inexperienced group other than our kicking game," Tjeerdsma

Secondary:

Another questionable area coming into the season was the secondary. Kelly Williams and Pat Whitt return as strong and free safeties, respectively, but both cornerbacks are new. Brandon Clayton covers the right side while transfer Quinten Womack plays on the left side.

'Do I feel like there is any pressure on us? Yea, we were probably the worst secondary in the MIAA last year and people said if the secondary would have did their last year and people said if the ob we probably would have won the national championship last year," Clayton said. "And there is a lot of pressure if we do our job this year we could go all the way. If we take care of business we should be good team wise, a lot of pressure on us."

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MAKING HIS MOVE Xavier Omon tries to elude a pair of Minnesota-Mankato defenders Thursday night. Omon finished his freshman season with over 1,600 rushing yards and will be expected to do the same this season.

High expectations abound

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

Xavier Omon doesn't know why he felt so sluggish during Thursday night's game against Minnesota State-Mankato.

All he knows is that he has to put it behind him and try not to do it again.

"The holes were there, I wasn't reading it well. I wasn't hitting it hard," Omon said. "I think I was trying to do too much, trying too much to make too big of a big play. I don't want to say I was trying to make a highlight play and show off or nothing. I think I was trying to do too much, I just need to take what I have there."

The pressure to perform well for Omon might be bigger than last year. The sophomore running back from Beatrice, Neb., exploded out of the gate last season for 1,642 rushing yards and 19

touchdowns. Omon tries not to focus on the expectations that others might have for him statistically. He said he feels like he has to just get back into that routine.

"I think it was just something I had to get back into. I don't want to say scared, you just get that nervous feeling and everything starts going, I don't know, I guess I just ran out of breath thinking about too much stuff," Omon said.

Omon rushed for 96 yards on 27 carries averaging 3.6 yards per carry, three yards less than last season.

"I was proud of him, I thought he got better as the game went on ... I think there was some anxiety, first game, probably pushing a little too hard and things don't quite break the way you want them to and you push a little harder yet," Coach Mel Tjeerdsma

Tjeerdsma said that he plans to use all his weapons on offense and that it's not just one person carrying the load.

"He might individually put some pressure on himself, but we're certainally looking to be a balanced football team," Tjeerdsma said. "We've got a lot of different weapons offensively and we will use all

But with the season Omon had last year there may be that pressure to live up to that 1,600 yard billing. He says he's not worried about the statistics at all, he wants something bigger than that.

. "Like at Mankato I don't know, how many yards I had but we won the game and that's all that matters," Omon said. "I don't care how many yards I have as long as we are holding up the championship at the end of the season, that's fine with

The Depth Chart I Who's playing where

Injuries happen all of the time, but who steps in when the starter goes down? Here's a depth chart of who comes in when the first teamer goes down... or gets tired.

Listed are names, year in school, position, height and weight. All positions are set for the Nebraska-Omaha game, but could change at any time.

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	95 Brett Harding	FrRS	6-4	240
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Volleyball sets up to succeed

By Cole Young Staff Writer

A year ago the Northwest volleyball team was a squad full of fresh faces and inexperience

Now a year later, a core of four sophomores help guide the group into their 2005 campaign.

The Bearcats finished the 2004 season with the most victories in four seasons at 15-18 overall and 6-10 in league play.

The group of sophomores made up of MIAA Freshman of the Year Lauren Cummings, Katie Stilwell, Rachel Spensley and Nicole Wotjowicz, have an MIAA title on their mind.

"Obviously we want to win the national championship," Stilwell said. "But right now we are really focused on winning the conference championship."

The added experience of the squad was evident in their first weekend of play. They made it through the first weekend with a 3-1 record.

"We already are playing well," Cummings said. "We dropped one game but honestly we should have even won that game. I think if we played

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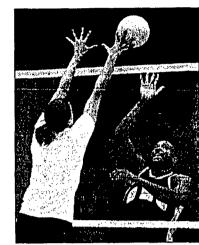


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LAUREN CUMMINGS works on blocking during practice Tuesday afternoon in Bearcat Arena. Northwest picked up wins this weekend at Missouri Southern.

Augustana later in the season we would win that game."

The 'Cats only seniors this season are outside hitters Mandy Tryon and Allison Hyland.

"Mandy and Sarah Trowbridge bring a lot of experience to the team which is nice to have on the court," Cummings

The 'Cats open up the home portion of the season against Emporia State at 7 p.m. Sept.

Goal-minded team kicks off

By Andy Timko Staff Writer

The Bearcat womens' soccer team is ready to kickoff the 2005 season with 11 letterwinners looking to improve on last year's record.

After a 4-16 season last year, the 'Cats are ready to get back on the pitch. With the help of 10 newcomers head coach Tracy Cross believes a good season is in store.

"This is our first time actually seeing a team that matches each others strengths on the field," Cross said. "The relationship between each (position) line is by far the best I've had since coming here. I feel we have players on the field that complement each other very well."

The team has set four goals for the season: win more on the road, win more at home, allow fewer goals and score more goals.

According to Cross, the motivation for the fall started in the spring with building leadership and confidence amongst the returning players.

Returning starters, senior Katie Flower along with juniors Jamie Campbell, Beth Gutschenritter and



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GOING THROUGH DRILLS, Sarah Hobson and Jamie Campbell work on their footwork Tuesday afternoon. The team faces Missouri-Rolla Saturday Bearcat Pitch.

Alison Sheridan will be working with the newcomers to meet their goals throughout the season.

The addition of transfer Kayla Griffin gives the team another dimension and has helped lift the team during the preseason.

"Kayla from the first day has made an impact on our team," Cross said. "She makes the players around her look good. She's a great leader on the field and she has raised the intensity of practices on the field."

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'Hounds, quarterback look to silence critics

Squad loses 18 seniors, hope to live up to legacy

By Brendan Kelley Staff Writer

Last year the Maryville Spoofhounds made a run at greatness. Armed with weapons such as Josh Wilmes, Syd Brisbane and Keith Starr the 'Hounds advanced through the state playoffs and it appeared as though their road led straight to St. Louis, but they hit a dead end in Harrisonville.

This year the 'Hounds find themselves with a number of question marks. They will have to answer those questions while facing a tough schedule sprinkled with state ranked opponents; all the while adjusting to losing 18 seniors who contributed largely a year ago.

Perhaps the biggest question of all is who would start at quarterback for the 'Hounds this season. Both Kevin Schluter and Morgan Grudzinski have been taking snaps at practice and getting acquainted with the offense.

"Both kids will play, but Kevin is going to be our starter," coach Paul Miller said. "Morgan has worked so hard and done everything I have asked of him and he will get some playing time at quarterback as well as being the starting corner and playing some wide receiver."

Schluter had never taken a snap prior to this season, but he is confident and ready to prove what he and this year's squad can do.

"I can't try to fill the guy's shoes in front of me, there's never going to be another Josh Wilmes," Schluter said. "I just have to run the offense and let the team work for me."

Last year's squad leaves a legacy behind that will not be easy to live up to, but this year's team has the advantage of being more prepared.

"Last year we had a group of kids that many of them had played and had experience," Miller said. "Since I came in late

last year we didn't have a third of what we have right now. We went into our first game against Cameron last year with a half a dozen plays and formations."

There should also be a drastic change in the 'Hounds kicking game this year. Last year's team struggled with the kicking game and special teams. On many occasions Maryville opted to attempt the two point conversion rather than kick the extra point.

"We're a whole lot better in the kicking department this year," Miller said. "We have three PAT kickers that I feel comfortable with."

The strength this year for the 'Hounds should be the guys leading the way up front. Coach Miller will have six seniors anchoring the offensive line.

"Our linemen are coming together really well," senior Ben Mckim said. "Our line will be our strength at least for the first half, because they're still young in the backfield."

On the defensive side of the ball the 'Hounds appear to be sound with some senior leadership on the line.

"We have one of the best defensive coordinators in the state," Miller said. "Maryville is known for its tough defense and I expect nothing less than the established norm here in Maryville for tough defense."

With no easy game on the schedule the 'Hounds will not have an opportunity to sit back and relax or take anything for granted.

"Our first four opponents will probably be ranked in the state just like they were last year," Miller said. "And we'll probably have three other teams that will be on our schedule that will be state ranked after that."

With a good number of first time starters, a new quarterback and a young backfield the 'Hounds will be looking to improve throughout the season and hopefully hit their high point when it matters most.

"Right now we just have to let our kids go out and be the athletes that they are," Miller said. "We should be at our best towards the end of the season going into districts."



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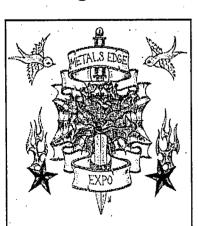
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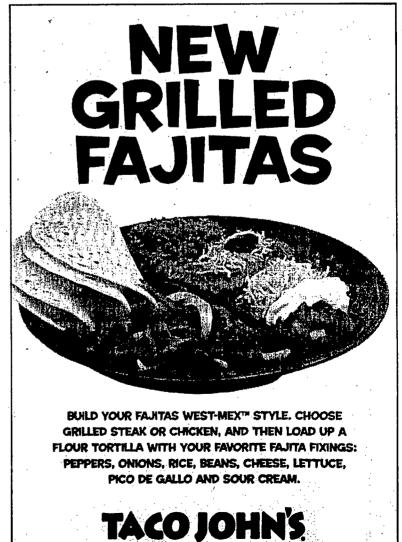
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Expectations high for softball squad

By Dennis Sharkey Staff Writer

Maryville girls' softball coach Kathy Blackney does not hide the fact that last year's record proved one of the worst in her six years heading the pro-

But the Spoofhounds started this season where they left off last year—with a strong finish.

"We were third in conference last year and won districts with the worse record we ever had," Blackney said. "We're hoping they can come back and start the way they finished. Our goal is to win conference."

The 'Hounds are off to a good start. With Tuesday night's win over conference foe Cameron, they moved to 3-0 overall and

1-0 in conference.

A key to Tuesday night's win was the 'Hounds ability to take advantage of mistakes made by Cameron and take extra bases on overthrown balls and wild

Sophomore shortstop Jordan Gadbois said the team is more aware on the base paths this

"The key to this year is we're watching the ball a lot more than in the past," Gadbois said. "That is helping us out a lot."

Blackney said the team's attitude has helped them capitalize on other team's mistakes.

"We like to be aggressive," Blackney said. "We don't have a lot of speed, but we have some, so we try to take advantage of

This year's squad has only one senior, second base starter Dana DeMott. The Spoofhounds lost six seniors from last year's team, three of whom were starters, as well as the team's number one pitcher.

Blackney credits pitching for the team's fast start, but also sees areas for improvement.

"Our pitching needs to stay strong and we need to keep getting key hits," Blackney said. "But we do need to shore up our defense, especially against good

Blackney believes that if the team's attitude stays on track they will do well.

"They work hard and they want to win," Blackney said.

Missouri High School Football Rankings

CLASS 6:

- 1. Rockhurst (6) 47
- 2. Kirkwood (2) 35
- 3. Hickman (2) 21
- 4. Blue Springs South 13
- 5. Rock Bridge 10

- 1. Raymore-Peculiar (7) 54
- 2. McCluer North (3) 42
- 3. Park Hill 25 4. Webster Groves 19 5. Kickapoo 7

CLASS 4:

- 1. Camdenton (5) 78
- 2. Grandview (2) 72

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- 3. North County (2) 71 4. Benton (1) 62
- 5. Duchesne 56 6. Ladue 43

- 7. Lee's Summit West 39 8. Farmington 38 9. Carthage 37
- 10. Webb City 29

CLASS 3

- 1. Herculaneum (7) 97
- 2. Platte County (2) 84 3. Lutheran North (1) 81
- 4. Harrisonville 41
- 5. John Burroughs 39
- 6. Ste. Genevieve 37
- 7. KC St. Pius X 35 8. (tie) Cassville 31
- 8. (tie) Salem 31

10. Odessa 25

- CLASS 2:
- 3. Cameron 80
- 1. Blair Oaks (9) 99 2. Cardinal Ritter (1) 83

- 4. Monroe City 555. Lutheran-St. Charles 48
- 6. El Dorado Springs 44 7. Mid-Buchanan 34
- 8. Lawson 33
- 9. Houston 28
- 10. Palmyra 19

CLASS 1:

- 1. Greenfield (6) 92
- Salisbury 61
- 3. St. Vincent (2) 55
- 4. Tipton 51
- . (tie) Marionville (1) 46 . (tie) Gallatin 46
- 7. Princeton 44
- 8. Valle Catholic 43
- 9. West Platte 39
- 10. South Shelby (1) 31

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Intensity stressed for team

Clarinda Tuesday night. The Spoofhounds won the match in three sets.

IN THE SEASON OPENER Jayme Mattson goes in for a kill against

By Andy Timko **Staff Writer**

With a new coach for the 2005 season the Spoofhound to make a run for the state championship.

Former Northwest volleyball player Steph Suntken is leading a 'Hounds team full of seniors hoping to make their last season the best one yet.

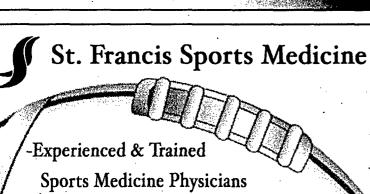
"Every girl on our team is talented," Suntken said. "I wish I could play them all every night. I'm seeing as a coach that it's hard to choose who should start every night because they are all so

With nine of the 11 players being seniors, experience is not problem. Communication and intensity, however, will be a determining factor on how the season progresses, Suntken

"I challenge them every time on the court," she said. "I always tell them the aggressiveness is the most important thing."

Senior Kim Wolfer will be working with the other returning players to provide leadership and strong communication on the court throughout the

"Kim brings intensity not only to the games, but to every practice as well," Suntken said. "If we keep the intensity up and keep talking, I think we'll have a good season."...



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MHS 1 Cross Country Schedule

Sept. 6	5 p.m.	Clarinda	Away
	5 p.m.	Red Oak	Away
	4:30 p.m.	Benton	Away
Sept. 20 Sept. 27	4 p.m.	Lafayette	Away
Oct. 4	4:30 p.m.	Maryville Invitational	Home
Oct. 13	5 p.m.	Mt. Ayr	Away
Oct. 18	4 p.m.	MEC	TBA
Oct. 20	4 p.m.	Richmond Invitational	Away
Oct. 29	TBA	Districts	TBA
Nov. 3	TBA	Senior Night	Home
Nov. 5	TBA	State	TBA
MHS I Golf So	hedule		

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MHS Golf Schedule	•
Sept. 1 4 p.m. Lafayette	Away
Sept. 6 4 p.m. Savannah	Home
Sept. 8 4 p.m. Central	Away
Sept. 12 3:30 p.m.Benton	Home
Sept. 14 TBA Central Tournament	TBA.
Sept. 15 4 p.m. Lafayette	Away
Sept. 20 4 p.m. Savannah	Away
Sept. 22 4 p.m. Tarkio	Home
Sept. 27 4 p.m. Caméron .	Home
Sept. 29 4 p.m. Platte County	Away
Oct. 4 4 p.m. Benton	Away
	Away
Oct. 10 TBA MEC	Away
Oct. 17-18 State	TBA
Nov. 03 TBA Senior Night	Home

MHS I Tennis Schedule

Sept. 1	4 p.m.	Lafayette	Home
Sept. 6	5 p.m.	Savannah	Home
Sept. 8	4 p.m.	LeBlond I	Home
Sept. 12	4 p.m.	Benton	Home
Sept. 15	4 p.m.	Lafayette	Away
· Sept. 17	9 a.m.	Kearney Quad.	Away
Sept. 20	4 p.m.	Savannah	Away
Sept. 22	4 p.m.	Cameron	Home
Sept. 26	4 p.m.	LeBlond	Away
Sept. 27	5 p.m.	Chillicothe ·	Away
Sept. 30	9 a.m.	Benton/Savannah	Away
Oct. 4	4 p.m.	Benton	Away
Oct. 5	8:30 a.r	n.MEC at Noyes	Away
Oct. 6		n.Districts	Away
Oct. 15	TBA	Sectionals	TBA

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MHS I Softball Schedule

Sept. 1 4:30 p.m. Lafayette Away Sept. 3 9 a.m. Auburn Nebraska Tournament Away

4:30 p.m. Sept. 6 Savannah Away Sept. 8 4:30 p.m. Benton Home 4:30 p.m. Sept. 13 Chillicothe Home 4:30 p.m. Sept. 15 **Away** Smithville Sept. 19 5 p.m. Jefferson Away Sept. 20 4:30 p.m. Platte County Away 4:30 p.m. Sept. 22 Benton Away 4:30 p.m. Sept. 26 Lafayette Home TBA Sept. 29 Senior Night Home Sept. 29 5 p.m. North Platte Home Oct. 6 and 7 **Districts** Oct. 12 Sectionals Quarterfinals Oct. 15 Oct. 21 and 22

MHS I Volleyball Schedule

Sept. 6 5 p.m. Tarkio @ Home Sept. 8 5 p.m. Platte County Away Sept. 10 TBA' Winnetonka Tourney - Away Sept. 13 5 p.m. Benton - Away Sept. 15 5 p.m. Lafayette - Away Sept. 20 5 p.m. Chillicothe - Away Sept. 22 5 p.m. Cameron @ Home Sept. 27 5 p.m. Lafayette @ Home Sept. 29 5 p.m. Savannah - Away Oct. 3 5 p.m. Rock Port @ Home Oct. 6 5 p.m. Benton @ Home Oct. 8 8 a.m. Maryville Invitational Oct. 10 5 p.m. Savannah @ Home Oct. 13 5 p.m. Chillicothe @ Home Oct. 17 5 p.m. Fairfax -- Away Oct. 18: TBA Senior Night @ Home Oct. 18 5 p.m. Smithville @ Home Oct. 24 TBA Districts Oct. 29 TBA Sectionals Nov. 4 State

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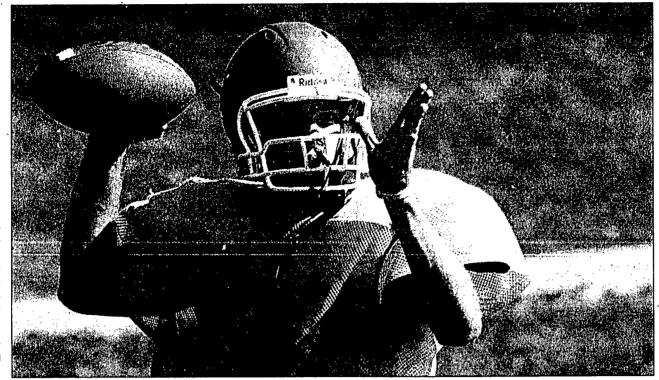
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QUARTERBACK JACE
RANDLE looks for
a receiver Tuesday
afternoon at practice
in Hopkins, Mo. The
Mustangs open up
the season Friday at
Craig. Kickoff is
7 p.m.

PHOTO BY COLE YOUNG/ NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

County schools offer different brand of pigskin

By Jerome Boettcher Staff Writer

On most Friday nights in Nodaway County, fans can be found packing the 'Hound Pound for Maryville High School football.

But down the road a bit, the lesser known football teams take the field.

Eight-man football brightens Hopkins, Graham, Barnard, Burlington Junction and other communities on Friday nights.

Though it might not get as much attention as regular 11-man football, the games are still competitive despite the smaller teams and fan turnout.

"It is extremely tough, there is a lot of parity in our confer-

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ence," North Nodaway Coach Jeff Blackford said.

Blackford's team went 8-2 last year but fell in districts to Stanberry, who eventually won districts and made it to the state semifinals.

There are four Nodaway County high schools, excluding Maryville, that offer football. They are North Nodaway, South Nodaway, West Nodaway and Nodaway-Holt. South Nodaway is a member of the Platte Valley Conference. The rest are members of the Highway 275 Conference.

North Nodaway returns with the best record out of the four schools from last year. But the Mustangs lost a total of nine players, six of whom were seniors. Blackford, in his second

year at the helm, is a little concerned.

"I have a huge question mark, I don't know if it will be good or bad," Blackford said.

The Mustanes have also run

The Mustangs have also run into a couple injuries this year that have already put them behind. One player was involved in a four-wheeler accident and another was hurt while water tubing.

Matt Messick is one of those coaches chasing teams like North Nodaway. West Nodaway is coming off a 2-8 season but Messick, in his first year, sees opportunity.

"I was the assistant last year and I knew we had loads and loads of talent," Messick said.

The Rockets return seven of eight players to offense. Mes-

North Nodaway

Coach: Jeff Blackford (2nd year) Last year's record: 8-2

Key Returners: quarterback Jace Randle, running back Doug McKee, linebacker Quent Blackford and lineman Andrew Wermelskirchen.

South Nodaway

Coach: Rick Calloway
Last year's record: 4-5
Tough opponents: Mound City
and North Nodaway.

sick believes that the team's combination of quarterback Jesse Davidson, running back Chris Chipwood and fullback Bryant Major could be powerful.

"We are extremely optimistic, we don't have that many limitations," Messick said.

Nodaway-Holt and South Nodaway round out the county as they come off 4-5 and 3-7 records, respectively.

"With a little bit of luck we could go far," Nodaway-Holt coach Bob Svoboda said.

The conference is up for grabs and usually any team from the 275 Conference has a good chance of winning state. Since 1988, except for three times, schools in the 275 Conference have either tied or won state.

Nodaway-Holt

Coach: Bob Svoboda Last year's record: 3-7 Key Returners: wideout B.J.

McGary, linebacker Derek Derr, quarterback Russel Miller and running back Nate Jeter.

West Nodaway

Coach: Matt Messick (first year) Last year's record: 2-8 Key Returners: quarterback Jesse Davison, running back Chris Chipwood and fullback Bryant

Road Trip Time

Don't think football is limited to Maryville on Friday nights. Teams like West Nodaway and South Nodaway help bring an exciting brand of football not found in Kansas City, Omaha or even Albany. Eight-man football has been referred to as basketball on grass and at times, and rightly so. A Kansas playoff game ended last year with a score of 86-66.

Nodaway County Football Schedules

Nodaway-Holt Football King City - Away Sept. 9 7 p.m. Worth County @ Home Sept. 16 South Nodaway @ Home Sept. 23 7 p.m. North Nodaway @ Home Sept. 30 7 p.m. Stanberry - Away 7 p.m. Oct. 7 Fairfax - Away Oct. 14 7 p.m. South Holt @ Home Oct. 21 West Nodaway - Away Oct. 28 . 7 p.m. Mound City @ Home Nov. 4 7 p.m. Craig - Away

West Nodaway Football

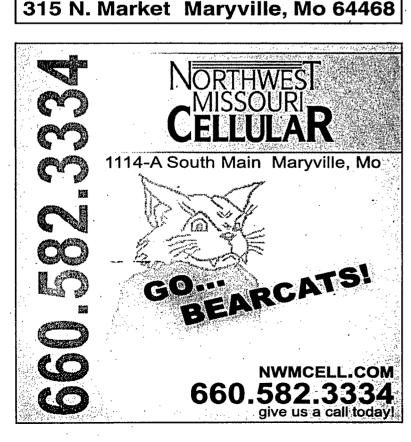
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North Nodaway Football

7 p.m. Sept. 2 Craig - Away Sept. 9 7 p.m. South Nodaway - Away Sept. 16 7 p.m. Fairfax @ Home Sept. 23 7 p.m. Nodaway-Holt - Away Sept. 30 7 p.m. South-Holt @ Home Oct. 7 7 p.m. King City - Away Oct. 14 7 p.m. Mound City - Away 7 p.m. Oct. 21 Stanberry @ Home Worth County @ Home West Nodaway @ Home

South Nodaway Football

Sept. 2 Mound City - Away Sept. 9 7 p.m. North Nodaway @ Home Sept. 16 Nodaway-Holt @ Graham Sept. 23 7 p.m. Nodaway-Holt - Away Sept. 30 7 p.m. Stewartsville @ Home Oct. 7 7 p.m. St. Joe Christian - Away Oct. 14 7 p.m. SW Livingston - Away Oct. 21 North Andrew @ Hg Nov. 4 Union Star @ H



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